

# A Merry Christmas To All

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**Brownies Sing For Aged Ladies' Home, Veterans' Hospital**

Brownies of the First Victoria Pack, after carrying out their usual Christmas "good turn," singing carols at the Aged Ladies' Home, had a festive dinner at the Y.W.C.A.

They did their second good turn of the day after their dinner, when they went by bus to the Veterans' Hospital and toured the wards in a carol procession. Their sweet,

childish voices and happy spirit delighted the patients. This pack had visited the Aged Ladies' Home each year for the past two decades at Christmas-time. (Times Photo).

### MINER SURVIVES CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY

Entombed 58 Hours, Cecil Sanders Termed  
In 'Miraculously Good Condition' Today

WEST FRANKFORT, Ill., Dec. 24 (UP).—A 44-year-old miner, entombed for 58 hours in the blast-shattered depths of the New Orient Mine, was found alive and in "miraculously good condition" today.

Cecil Sanders of nearby Benton was found deep in the recesses of the mine by rescue workers who had removed 104 bodies from the world's largest shaft coal mine, rocked by a coal gas explosion Friday night. "I'd hug anyone who gave me a cigarette," the smoke-blackened miner said.

Sanders was rushed to Miner's Hospital in West Frankfort. He was chilled but not frozen and talked happily with hospital attendants.

Dr. A. F. Barnett, company physician for the Chicago, Wilmington and Franklin Coal Company, said Sanders reported eight other miners were alive in the vicinity of the wrecked mine where he was found.

Beds were prepared for the others on the strength of Sanders' statement, but Barnett said he doubted that the others would be found.

Barnett said Sanders was found a few feet from where the bodies of five of his fellow miners were discovered.

The news of Sanders' removal came as company officials feared that the final death toll would run to 120. The rescue of Sanders may cause a downward revision in this figure.

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### Cyclist Dies After Crash

Gregor Partola, 28, of Chemainus, died in that town's hospital today following a Saturday night accident.

R.C.M.P. report that a bicycle Partola was riding was in collision with a car driven by Edmund R. Bowl, Chemainus, on an icy road.

The impact sent the cyclist crashing against the windshield. He suffered head and facial cuts, other injuries and severe shock.

### 'REDEDICATION' ASKED IN PREMIER'S MESSAGE

Premier Byron Johnson today issued a Christmas message to the people of British Columbia.

"At this festive season of the year, it is my pleasure to extend to the people of British Columbia every good wish for a joyous Christmas and peace and contentment throughout the New Year," said the Premier.

It is his earnest hope, he said, that the spirit of Christmas as portrayed in the joyous carols and the traditional Christmas story, will instill even greater emotions of faith in the people's hearts.

"As Christmas is a time for family reunion, I wish especially to remember those who are separated from their loved ones.

"It is my sincere hope that the New Year will bring peace to a world now beset with unrest and with the approaching Christmas festivities, let us pause for a moment from our rejoicing to rededicate ourselves to the sacred cause of Peace on Earth, Goodwill toward Men," said Premier Johnson.

### 'MIGHT HAVE LEFT DROP'

#### Note In Bottle Brings New York Man Yule Tree

ROCKVILLE CENTRE, N.Y., Dec. 24 (UP).—Arthur H. Iles had the tallest and cheapest Christmas tree in town today because he tossed a whisky bottle into the Atlantic Ocean less than four months ago.

Iles was aboard an inbound passenger-cargo ship off the coast of Nova Scotia, land of Christmas trees, last Sept. 12. To kill time he wrote a humorous note requesting a tree and curled the message into an empty bottle of spirit.

He received a tremendous crate containing a nine-foot tree on Dec. 15. He was amazed that the express bill was only \$1.

A note signed by a fisherman

named Jim Saunders said he was "not much a penning, but it is with pleasure I take me pen in hand to write you about your bottle."

"I was out coddling Wednesday week and pulled in your bottle fouled in me net," the note said. "I'll get Joe Canouthers to see if he can find you a pretty tree for you and the young ones."

Saunders apologized for the delay by explaining he "was not far off Plesure Beach on Newfoundland shore so I have been some days getting to home."

There was a wry postscript to the note.

"You might have left a feller a taste in the hotel again the chill."



Let's let Santa "carry th' load" tonight, eh, drivers?

Ol' Vic sez what all are sayin'  
What th' world t'day is prayin'  
All I c'n see in m' crystal ball  
Is "Merry Christmas t' y' all."

### Pray, Fight For Peace In Korea

SEOUL, Korea, Dec. 24 (AP).—Allied soldiers today prayed for peace but fought scattered skirmishes on the frosty Korean battle front.

There was plenty of Christmas spirit along the 145-mile front. United Nations troops had religious services, wrapped gifts for Korean orphans, gathered around trees decorated with home-made babbies and opened packages from home.

But for many a soldier the day before Christmas meant "business as usual." With the mercury around the freezing level, U.N. forces repulsed a series of small Communist probing attacks early today.

Meanwhile, Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway's appeal to the Communist high command to open North Korean prison camps to the International Red Cross has been rejected, a Communist correspondent at Panmunjom said.

However, the Reds proposed, and the U.N. quickly agreed, to establish a post office in neutral Panmunjom so prisoners of both sides could send and receive mail. Details were to be worked out later.

### Ten Bodies In Burned Ship

ASTORIA, Ore., Dec. 24 (UP).—The bodies of 10 of 11 persons who were trapped aboard the burning Danish motorship Ertia last Thursday were removed late yesterday by salvage workers.

Corner Raymond Luce reported seven bodies were taken from the lounge and two others from a lower deck. All apparently died quickly of suffocation.

Luce identified the dead passengers as Mr. and Mrs. Holst Anderson, Mrs. Albert Sorenson, all of Copenhagen; Miss Dorothy Myers, George F. Scott, Vancouver; Mrs. C. M. Taylor, Whitehorse, B.C.; Mrs. Kathleen Brunlees and her daughter, Elizabeth.

Two laundresses, Lilly Haase and Thora Anderson, Copenhagen, were discovered in a passageway.

## Yule Shoppers Set New Mark

### KING TO TALK TO HIS PEOPLE

His Majesty the King will speak to the Commonwealth about 7 a.m. Christmas morning.

Locally, the King will be heard over CKDA and CJVI. He will speak during a special broadcast which will start at 6 a.m. and run through to 7.30 a.m.

His Majesty's doctors have advised him to record his message rather than speak directly over the air because of his recent illness. Doctors said the King's voice is still too weak for direct transmission.

A re-broadcast of the address will be carried over CJVI at 8.15 Christmas evening.

### Victorians Prepared For Big Christmas

Victorians are today concluding one of the biggest Christmas "shopping sprees" in years.

Store owners reported Christmas sales in nearly all lines of merchandise are higher than ever before. The only exceptions were sales of heavy appliances and expensive furnishings.

"We never saw the like of it," was the comment of one business man. "I don't think anyone can complain of a poor business this year."

Sales were spotty at first, but picked up about two weeks ago and reached a climax on Saturday and today, merchants said.

While the majority of Victorians did not buy highly expensive gifts, they bought many more than usual, is the general opinion. The gifts for the most part ranged in price between \$3 and \$25.

In foodstuffs, Victorians made certain first of eating nothing but the best, store sales indicate. Turkeys sold well and so did all kinds of choice meats and delicacies. There was also a heavy run on pastries and Christmas cakes.

Sales of chocolates and candies were heavier than in all other years, it was reported. But the profits from this local industry is not expected to be high due to the high cost of ingredients and competition from eastern manufacturers.

Florists were pleased with this year's sale of flowers. "We have never sold as many flowers and potted plants for Christmas," they said.

Jewelers reported Christmas sales were good, especially in gold ornaments and watches. Chinaware also sold well, about the same as in other years.

The heavy sale of cigarettes and tobacco indicate that these are popular gifts of the male population. Tobaccoists said they had the heaviest run on cigarettes.

### 2-DAY HOLIDAY FOR TIMES STAFF

Both Christmas Day and Boxing Day, Tuesday and Wednesday, will be observed as holidays by the staff of the Victoria Times. No paper will be published on either day. The next regular edition will be on Thursday afternoon.

### Snow Flurry Warning To Yule Driver

Weatherman Expects  
Clearing Skies

Snow flurries today gave promise of a "white Christmas" for Victoria.

A light dusting of snow fell early this morning, and there was more shortly before noon.

The weatherman, however, anticipated a break in the weather late today.

"We expect a clearing in the evening, and a comparatively clear Christmas Day and Boxing Day," he said. "There will be a little cloud on both days, light winds, and temperatures up to 40 degrees."

### CREWS PREPARED

Public works crews hope he is right, since civic and provincial crews are prepared to work over the holiday if necessary.

R.C.M.P. reported roads dangerous this morning, and likely to be slippery Christmas Day. Sanding crews covered trouble spots on the Malahat today.

Since snow was predicted today for all of Vancouver Island, R.C.M.P. advised motorists to carry chains at all times if traveling north.

### Continue Aid To Gold Mines

OTTAWA, Dec. 24 (CP).—The government has decided to continue its program of aid for Canada's gold mining industry for another two years at current rates of payment, Finance Minister Abbott announced today. The federal subsidy program was to have terminated Dec. 31.



**The Youngest Alexander**

The three-year secret that Canada's viceregal family has an adopted daughter leaked out last Friday when three-and-a-half-year-old, fair-haired Susan Alexander appeared at a kindergarten Christmas party in Ottawa. Here Viscount and Lady Alexander are pictured with Susan who they adopted in England when she was six months' old. (CP Photo).

mas party in Ottawa. Here Viscount and Lady Alexander are pictured with Susan who they adopted in England when she was six months' old. (CP Photo).

# And A Prayer For Peace In 1952



## ROK SOLDIERS



26,310 killed in action

88,290 missing in action

25,511 wounded in action

## ROK CIVILIANS



1,000,000 killed, 25,000 in atrocities

## South Korea Pays Heavy Price Of War

In 17 months of war, South Korean army and civilian casualties have soared to more than 2,000,000 dead, wounded, ill, injured and missing, according to a Republic of South Korean government spokesman. As detailed above, another 8,000,000 persons have been made homeless by the fierce war of attrition. Combined, the two figures represent more than a third of Korea's pre-war population of 29,291,000.

## To Christ Rather Than Arms, Is Pope's Message

**By FRANK BRUTTO**  
VATICAN CITY, Dec. 24 (AP).—The Pope urged the world today to look toward the Babe of Bethlehem rather than to force of arms to achieve true peace. It was his 13th Christmas message since he became Pope in 1939, and, as in all of them, his appeal was for peace. From the heart-warming intimacy of the Christ child, he said, one steps into "a world that is far from Christ." It was like stepping into a "gust of freezing air." The world more than ever was divided into two camps over

## Cook Ordered To Pay \$4,000 To Communists

VANCOUVER, Dec. 24 (CP).—A 65-year-old Chinese-Canadian cook has been told he must pay \$4,000 to save the lives of his 11-member family in Red China. It is the highest demand made on British Columbia Chinese since the Red extortion racket was unleashed five months ago. Yuen Joung Chan said today that this means "good-bye" to his family. He doesn't have the \$4,000.

He received word of the demand in the usual manner. His son, who somehow got to Hong Kong, wired him that his family had been arrested and asked for the money immediately. Arrested are: one son, two daughters-in-law, five grandsons and two daughters.

News of the extortion followed a report carried in The Chinese Times, a Chinese-language newspaper in Vancouver, that Chinese premier Mao Tse-tung has ordered the extortion demands on overseas Chinese communities to stop.

## Tito Frees Group Of Former Soldiers

BELGRADE, Dec. 24 (Reuters).—Marshal Tito has freed 107 former Yugoslav army members jailed for pro-Communist activities, it was announced Friday. The release was conditional on their good behavior.

## The Half-Pints

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## Hungary Fines 4 U.S. Flyers

Downed Airmen Must Pay Total Of \$120,000 Or Serve Three Months Each In Prison Term

BUDAPEST, Dec. 24 (AP).—Hungary has ruled the four United States fliers forced down in the C-47 cargo plane by Soviet fighters Nov. 19 must pay fines of 360,000 forints (about \$30,000) each or spend three months in jail.

The government, in announcing that Sunday, said the men confessed to violating the Hungarian border and acquiesced in the verdict against them in military court.

(Their plane got lost while en route from Germany to Yugoslavia with cargo from the U.S. embassy in Belgrade, American authorities announced after they disappeared. Hungary and Russia later disclosed they were being held and their plane was impounded.)

(The four were accused by the Russians at the United Nations' Assembly last week of being "spies and saboteurs." The U.S. accused the Russians of "spy mania"). Officials of the American legation here were trying to contact the Hungarian foreign ministry today to find out who is supposed to pay the fines, where the money has to be paid, and how.

(Reports telephoned from the Budapest American legation to U.S. authorities in Vienna said it was doubtful whether the four could be bailed out before Christmas.)

(George Abbott, U.S. Charge D'Affaires at Budapest, said efforts to reach Communist officials to learn the conditions for their release were fruitless. The legation apparently did not have \$120,000 or its equivalent in forints in its vault. Abbott said he was awaiting instructions from Washington on whether the legation would pay the fines.)

The military court said the C-47 and all its equipment had been confiscated and that the equipment proved the fliers meant to help spies and diversionists in Communist Hungary.

The government said the four admitted they violated the Hungarian border near Gyula Nov. 19. It said they failed to give a "satisfactory explanation" of why they

had military maps of some parts of Russia and the People's Democracies, why they had "superfluous numbers" of parachutes and a radio transmitter and bundles of blankets in the plane.

**HUNTING SAFETY SOUGHT**  
FREEPORT, Me. (UP).—The hunting accident inspector has asked L. L. Bean to produce and offer for sale safe-hunting scarlet gloves with black words: LOOK BEHIND YOU SHOOT, stamped across the back.



HOLIDAY GREETINGS!

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and good cheer

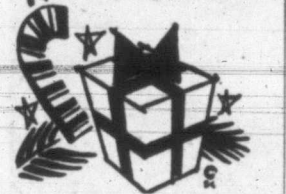
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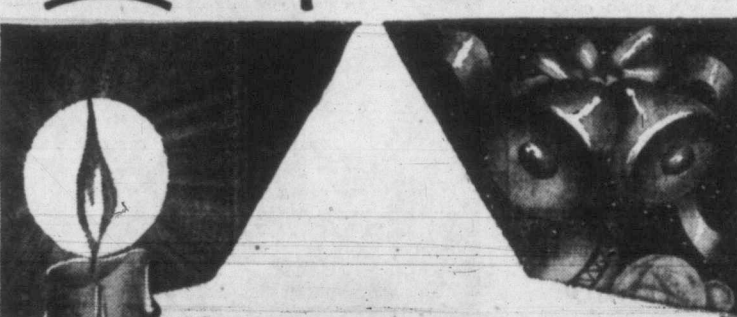
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## Merry Christmas



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## CANADA'S TROOPS IN GERMANY TO ENJOY CHRISTMAS GOODIES

HANNOVER, Germany, Dec. 24 (Reuters).—Real Canadian-style dinners will be served Tuesday and on New Year's Day to officers and men of the 27th Canadian Infantry Brigade group.

But hardly any of the trimmings will be from Canada. Christmas supplies, purchased from the British navy, army and air force institute, come from the four corners of the world.

Each man will be given a bottle of beer with his dinner. Turkey comes from France and Holland, cranberry sauce from Denmark, plum pudding from Britain, fruit cake from Germany, grapes from Italy and Spain and mixed nuts from almost everywhere.

The men will be served their Christmas dinner by officers and senior non-commissioned officers. A total of 475,000 cigarettes, which arrived here Sunday as a gift from the people of Ontario, will be distributed among the soldiers Tuesday.

America's oldest continuously operating iron mine, which has been going for over 200 years, now is situated in three hills near Lebanon, Pa.

Railroads require three-eighths as much fuel as trucks to haul the same load the same distance, one-thirtieth as much fuel as air freight.

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## Egypt Reported Engaging In Secret Talks With Reds

CAIRO, Dec. 24 (Reuters).—Egypt has entered into comprehensive secret talks with Russia, the newspaper Al Gomhour Al Misri reported today. It hinted that Egypt has tried to get arms from Russia; but so far without success. Talks have already taken place between Foreign Minister Mohamed Salah El Din Pasha and Foreign Minister Andrei Vishinsky of Russia, the newspaper said. "It is confidently understood that the Russian side was frank and that it cast doubts upon the Egyptian policy which was still bound to the imperialist wheel," Al Gomhour Al Misri said. "It was pointed out that Russia would not be so naive as to supply Egypt with arms which later might possibly be used against the Russians. Britain contends that one reason for refusing to withdraw from Egypt is that the country would then be open to Russian attack. Egypt has refused to join an eastern Mediterranean defense pact."

The pleasure of extending to you the greetings appropriate to this Happy Season is worth waiting all year for; So we say, heartily and sincerely, may you have the best of Christmases!

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# 1951 IN REVIEW

## World

### MARCH

2—First Canadian casualty list from Korea shows six dead.  
7—Ezzard Charles retains world heavyweight title, beating Joe Walcott.  
9—Ernest Bevin resigns as British foreign secretary.  
10—French Premier Henri Queuille forms coalition government.  
14—United Nations troops re-occupy Seoul, South Korean capital.  
15—Iran parliament approves nationalizing British-owned oil fields.  
17—Vatican excommunicates all Catholics participating in crimes against church in Czechoslovakia.  
19—Canadian parliament votes \$7,250,000 to U.N. relief costs in Korea.  
20—Argentina's largest independent newspaper, La Prensa, taken over by followers of President Juan Peron.  
25—La Prensa editor Alberto Gainza Paz takes refuge in Uruguay.  
31—United States tank forces smash north of Korea 38th Parallel.

### APRIL

3—United States troops thrust across 38th Parallel in force.  
5—Gen. Douglas MacArthur, U.N. supreme commander in Far East, favors forming national Chinese second front on mainland.  
6—Mr. and Mrs. Julius Rosenberg sentenced at New York to death for wartime atomic spying; David Greenglass given 15 years.  
8—Iran Premier Hussein Ala rejects British oil protest.  
10—Canadian budget includes 20 per cent income tax boost for defense.  
11—Gen MacArthur relieved of all posts in Far East by President Truman; stone of scorn, sent from Westminster Abbey Dec. 15, is returned to authorities at Ayrroath.  
14—Former British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin dies, aged 70.  
16—Food famine faces 40,000,000 Indians in Bihar State; British submarine Affray lost off Isle of Wight with 75 men.  
19—Gen. MacArthur addresses joint session of Congress.  
21—Toronto Maple Leafs win Stanley Cup, beating Montreal Canadiens.  
23—Labor Minister Aneurin Bevan and Harold Wilson, president of the board of trade, resign from Attlee cabinet.  
24—Big Chinese spring offensive rips U.N. line in central Korea.  
27—Iran Premier Hussein Ala resigns in mounting oil crisis.  
28—Prime Minister R. G. Menzies' coalition wins Australian election.  
29—U.S. businessman Robert Voegler released from Budapest prison after 17 months of 15-year sentence for espionage.

## Local

### MARCH

3—Coldest March day in 48 years—6,000 "du" cases reported.  
9—Snowfall breaks March record—total to date 8.5 inches.  
10—Social Credit party talks of making bid in B.C.  
12—Shots fired, drugs seized in record week-end of crime.  
13—B.C. budget \$118,269,000.  
14—Butter scarce—retail price 82 to 84 cents.  
27—Minister announces \$22,000,000 program for B.C. public works.  
28—Maj. H. D. "Pat" Tighe takes command of P.P.C.L.I. in Korea.  
30—Girl rescued from plunge into 40-foot well at Albert Head.

### APRIL

4—Swindlers rob 40 of life savings—\$500,000 believed taken.  
5—C. E. Rivett-Carnac takes command of R.C.M.P. for B.C.  
7—Cayuga arrives from Korea.  
9—\$16,000,000 expansion announced for Harman plant, Nanaimo.  
13—MacMillan, blooded merger announced; Saanich police nab juvenile gangs, recover \$1,800 loot.  
12—Clyde Gillies sentenced to seven years for fraud.  
13—Brig. J. Sutherland Brown dies after short illness.  
14—Cougars win P.C.H.L. play-off.  
16—Quebec soldier first 1951 traffic victim here.  
17—Phillip Russell, "cat burglar," charged with theft.  
21—Saanich small fruit crop badly damaged by late frost.  
23—Dealers boost gasoline price 1 1/2 cents.  
25—Betty Dolman, Mount View High, chosen 1951 May Queen.  
30—Dead recluse Leonard Laney suspected of concealing fortune.

### U.S. Envoy

**Crash Victim**  
TEHRAN, Iran, Dec. 24 (AP).—Dr. Henry G. Bennett, United States point-of-view program director, and seven other Americans were among 21 persons killed Saturday when their plane crashed in a heavy snowstorm north of here.  
The crash came when the four-engine plane, owned by Egypt's Misr Airlines, struck the base of a 10,000-foot granite range north of Tehran.  
No one survived the disaster, worst in Iran's air history.  
Among the victims were Bennett's wife, who accompanied him to Tehran on an official visit in connection with the program of technical aid to under-developed countries.  
Another of the victims, Benjamin H. Hardy, was chief public affairs officer of the program.  
Other victims included six Iranians, five Egyptian crew members, one German and one Indonesian.

### MERRY CHRISTMAS

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### DESTROYERS

**COMING HOME**  
Three Canadian destroyers, now on their second tour of operations in Far Eastern waters, are all expected back at Esquimalt base between March and early July.  
H.M.C.S. Sioux will likely return about March 8, Cayuga May 24, and Athabaskan early in July.  
Official announcement is expected early in the new year.

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# 41 Die In Yule Mexican Party

**Screams Of Dying Children And Women Leave Once Gay Tijuana Gripped In Numb Horror**

TIJUANA, Mexico, Dec. 24 (AP).—Screams of dying children and women left this city gripped today in the horror of a Christmas party fire that took a toll officially estimated at 41 or more lives.

Burned and broken remains were still being examined in an effort to complete an accurate count. Unofficial estimates ranged up to 90 or more.

District Attorney Francisco Gastanon, Jr., who announced the official estimate, said he believed it was highest toll of deaths in a single fire in the history of Mexico.

Eighty-eight who escaped from the three-story building down stairs through a single doorway were treated for burns. Officials said the only fire escape was not only locked but boarded up.

Thirty-three were still in the hospital, five or six on the verge of death, doctors said.

Among the 33 were children. Officials said this probably indicates the ratio of little ones among the dead.

Only 26 of the bodies had been identified early today.

The annual party for needy children was in full swing when its joy was turned to terror at 11:15 p.m. Saturday.

There were different accounts of how the fire started. Fire Chief Gill Chidez said that someone was criminally responsible. He did not elaborate.

Everyone agreed the flames spread with terrible speed from near the location of a Christmas tree.

As panic took hold among the 300 or 400 people in the hall of the old coliseum building, three blocks from Tijuana's gay main street, the lights went out.

"Then all was madness," said Luis Alarid, radio station announcer. "A lot of people were trampled to death before they were burned."

Many of the bodies were found in two rest rooms into which the victims had been pushed by the crowds surging toward the exits.

Others piled up and died on the stairway.

The confusion was increased by frantic mothers and fathers trying to get into the building to save children. Firemen arrived, but there was no pressure in the water mains.

Some of the survivors said two rowdies knocked over the Christmas tree on the stage and that the flames apparently started from shorted electric lights.

**FIRE DESTROYS FISHING BOAT**  
LADNER, Dec. 24 (CP).—The 35-foot gillnet fishing boat New Look was destroyed by fire Sunday night and the owner, Alvin Berg, of Sunbury, B.C., estimated his loss at \$9,000.

The fire scorched the gillnetter Dinah Jr., tied alongside the New Look. Firemen said the blaze was caused by an unattended oil stove.

# Freedom Of Libya Is Proclaimed

**U.N. Decides Fate Of Poorest Realm**

BENGASI, Libya, Dec. 24 (AP).—Libya's pro-Western king, Mohammed Idriss El Senussi, today proclaimed the independence of his realm, a former Italian colony and now an impoverished nation of 1,350,000 persons.

It is officially rated the poorest on earth but is strategically important in the Western powers' defense plans.

"Libya has become an independent and sovereign nation," said the 72-year-old desert warrior and Moslem puritan, who for 30 years fought to drive Italy out.

The Italians lost the colony in 1943. Under the Italian peace treaty, Libya's future was decided by the United Nations' Assembly.

The United States, Britain—which normally has a brigade stationed here—and France, which keeps a small detachment in the Fezzan oasis—all are expected to sign treaties with the United Kingdom of Libya immediately granting them permission to maintain troops in that land.

In return, the western nations will pour nearly \$10,000,000 of indirect aid into Libya during the first year of independence.

U.N. statistics show the Libyan average cash income is about \$30 a year; 10 per cent of the people are blind and 20 per cent half-blind; exports are almost nonexistent, and infant mortality is more than one-third in the first year.

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**Season's Greetings**

**White Christmas Prospect For Majority Of Canadians**

Across most of Canada there will be enough snow for Santa Claus' reindeer to leave hoof-prints tonight.

Snow covers nearly all of the country and weather forecasters predicted sunny, cold weather almost from coast to coast Sunday to maintain the traditional Canadian Christmas.

The week-end saw an extra-heavy movement of holiday travellers, but that was expected to slacken today. Chief activity is last-minute shopping, and stores predicted a heavier rush than Saturday.

Meanwhile, Canadians in every province warmed up to Tuesday's celebrations. The Christmas spirit cropped up time and again in kind acts.

Some women in Quebec collected toys and food and threw a party for 309 lonesome immigrants at the grey stone immigration quarters beside the St. Lawrence River. A similar party

was held in Hamilton's Armenian community centre for 181 new Canadians.

Residents of Wheatley, Ont., took up a collection and sent one of the town's favorite citizens, Mrs. Barbara McNeillage, 74-year-old widow, on a plane trip to her native Scotland to visit her relatives.

The weather will continue cold in the Maritimes, although last week's rain washed away much of the snow. But homes were brightly decorated despite the bare ground.

On the west coast, hundreds of fishermen have returned to their homes, leaving their boats at anchor with Christmas trees at the masthead. Some 13,500 lumbermen and construction workers crowded into Vancouver from the interior.

Even farther west, the 57-man crew of the weathership Stone-town, anchored 900 miles out in the Pacific, prepared a turkey dinner for Tuesday.



**Photogenic Youngsters Win Prizes**

A new tricycle was presented Saturday to Rickey, 7, and Gordon, 4, sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Olsen, 4305 Douglas Street, who were picked by Hudson's Bay Company as most photogenic youngsters among 4,000 who had their pictures taken on Santa's knee since mid-November. Prize was presented by store manager C. N. Chubb, right. Little girl in picture was among runners-up. She won Eskimo doll.

# Yule Cards Show Royal Tour

LONDON, Dec. 3 (CP).—Memories of their Canadian tour still fresh in their minds, Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh selected for their personal Christmas cards this year a photograph of themselves driving in an open car between lines of cheering Canadians.

The scene depicted is reminiscent of the enthusiastic acclaim extended to the Royal couple in every community visited on their tour of the Dominion.

While no attempt has been made to identify the photograph, its background indicates it may have been taken at Charlottetown, P.E.I., as the Princess and her consort were leaving the province's experimental farm.

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## The Star Still Shines

THE CHRISTIAN WORLD WILL celebrate tomorrow its beginning and its justification.

The obscure birth in a stable on the fringes of the Roman Empire was little noted at the time. Yet from it sprang the most momentous changes in human history. At this Christmastide the new and revolutionary idea which thus came into the world is still on trial. It has always been on trial. It has often fought for its life against tyrants, conquerors and all powerful men who denied its original premise that man, the individual, is born with certain inalienable rights in an ordered universe. But it has always survived every attempt to destroy it. Through more than 19 centuries its premise has proved sound.

The Christmas festival has undergone queer changes since the Wise Men followed the star of Bethlehem. If they could observe the spectacle of Christmas in America tomorrow, they would hardly recognize its meaning. Nevertheless, behind the spectacle the star is still shining. It shines in the heart of every human being who pauses at Christmas to think of his neighbor and to renew his faith in mankind.

We live, it is true, in a hard and brutal world. We are at a moment of history when the attack on man, the individual, is waged on a thousand fronts; when the powers of the night, armed at the first Christmas with only bow and arrow, now brandish Russia's new atom bomb. In the face of these threats and observing humanity's slow progress in the last 2,000 years, some men turn hopeless and cynical, thus confirming everything that our enemies say against us. To such men Christmas is only an old

pagan feast, writ large and garishly tinselized with modern ornament.

Superficially, perhaps, we have made a pretty bad caricature of Christmas but the gaudy outside of the holiday is no measure of our inner feeling for it. The true test of the Christian world on the anniversary of its beginning is what it does to make good its central idea, not merely on Christmas Day but all through the year and all through the centuries. By that test our success surely falls short of Christianity's early hopes. The reach has always exceeded the grasp.

Still, anyone who looks about the world today must conclude that life is better where the Christian premise is accepted than it is elsewhere—better not merely by economic measurement, which has little to do with Christianity and often denies it, but by the measurement of the individual man, his freedom, his treatment of his fellows, his common creaturehood.

That result no doubt can be achieved and sometimes has been achieved under the power of other religions but it can never be achieved on any premise which denies the sanctity of the individual, as taught by Christianity from the first Christmas onward.

In these nearly 20 centuries the contrast between the Christian and the pagan ideas has never been so stark and vivid as it is today. For now we face not a passive resistance to the sovereignty of the individual man but an active, world-wide conspiracy to extinguish him forever. It will fail, all the conspiracies of the past have failed, so long as the meaning of Christmas lives in free men's hearts and the star still shines.

## Christmas Spirit All Year Round

THE AVERAGE PERSON, ONCE HE has got into the swing of it, rather enjoys himself as a Santa Claus at this time of the year. The choice of gifts, their presentation and all the attendant to-do create a fine feeling of generosity and good will.

In this mood, then, it is well for us to pause and consider those persons and agencies in this city to whom every day is, figuratively, Christmas Day; for whom the joyousness of giving never ceases throughout the year.

We refer, of course, to the welfare groups and their loyal workers and supporters, and there are many of them in this community. To such old-time institutions as the Protestant orphanage, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army and similar bodies, have been added in more recent years child welfare groups, citizen's aid organizations and, most recently, Mrs. Barbara Green's free food stall.

To those of us whose good works blossom for only a short season each

year, the activities of these people offer a constant example of real Christianity. While our generousities are largely confined to immediate family members and friends, theirs reach out to the forgotten, the lonely, the impoverished—strangers all, whose need has been recognized by those with eyes to see and ears to hear as a challenge to practical Christianity.

To these men and women of good works as well as good cheer—and for many of them the work has become a life-long dedication—we extend the hope that their bread cast upon the waters will return many-fold; that their lights so shining before men will inspire others to follow their lead, which in turn is modeled on the lead of Him Whose birthday observance stirs the spirit of this season.

And in the satisfaction and gratitude of the beneficiaries may they find an abiding measure of return for the effort and expense which they feel called upon to put forth. Theirs is indeed the Christmas spirit.

## Let's Not Compete With Rudolph

HAPPINESS THIS CHRISTMAS FOR some Victoria families may depend almost entirely on how well our citizens drive.

This is the season in which it is customary to jump into a car and visit friends, join them briefly in convivial greeting and pass on to the home of someone else. It is a practice which, outwardly, is in keeping with the times, and provided drivers are sane and sober it can draw little objection.

It is also the season in which tragedy arising from automobile accidents seems all the more acute.

The attention of this community has been drawn cruelly to that fact in for-

mer years. The traditional joy of Christmas has been turned to anguish through death and injury on the roads and highways because drivers have submerged their judgment and caution under a too generous flow of hospitality from their friends.

Our citizens are going to drink during the festive season. The crowds thronging to the liquor vendors in recent days furnish clear evidence of that. Many of them are going to drink too much. When they do, they should not try to drive. The risks are too great. The possible cost is too high.

Christmas is no invitation to a competition with Rudolph in red-nosed driving.

## A Reminder On The Envelope

A FEW WEEKS AGO THE SOROPTIMIST Club sent out 18,500 letters enclosing Christmas seals and inviting the people of Greater Victoria to support the club's campaign for funds to fight tuberculosis. The letters contained two dollars worth of decorative stamps, but no price was placed upon them. Any donation was and is gratefully accepted.

In the last few days, those seals have been in circulation on Christmas mail. With them goes the reminder to our citizens who have forgotten to make their contributions that it is still not too late to reply. In this season of generosity, here is an appeal which should not go unanswered.

## CHIPS

### The Night Before Christmas

By DAVID BROCK

(which happens to be tonight)

T'WAS the night before Christmas, and all through the house Every creature was stirring; yes, even that mouse, Ole Gran'pop, who'd spent all the day at his office.



With highballs and lowballs, to end with black coffees. As in millions of houses from Rome to Hong Kong. To say none was stirring was patently wrong. Ole Gran'pop was wrestling with what he called mis'mas:

The stuff to kiss under (if need be) at Kissmas.

His son, the proud father of nine or 10.

Was burning his cheque-book with fervent "Amen!"

And as the blaze warmed his poor heart and his hands,

He burnt his bills also, and Final Demands.

Then he rushed to the nursery to silence the kids

Who were bouncing and rattling like teakettle lids

And when he claimed Santa ignores the awake

They offered to bet him he'd made a mistake . . .

In fact, they went on, he could NEVER be right.

For a Dad's always wrong in the comics each night

And on radio shows and in movie shows too,

And that makes it funny and human and true.

So he blessed every hair on each innocent head

And cursed them all soundly and put them to bed

And said that he trusted they'd sleep now and then,

And so they appeared to while you could count 10.

Then they bounced out again and they ripped up the bedding

As merry as grigs at a little grig wedding.

And he peeked in their stockings and he half the toys

And used all the adjectives common to boys

And they jumped on the toys that were plastic, and lo!

It sounded like crunching of feet in the snow.

In the meantime, their mother was anxiously twitchin'

To think how the work had piled up in the kitchen.

But first the dark Christmas tree had to be clad,

A task she could never entrust to a Dad.

And with presents to wrap, all uniquely and arty,

She couldn't get round to prepare for the party

Till mighty near midnight . . . by which time the kids

Were all in the guest room, a-practising skills

On the little guest scatter-rugs.

What did it matter?

They'd never be noticed amid all the clatter

Of Grandpappy tying his weeds to the beams

And poor Father comforting poor Mother's screams

As she wondered who'd knock at their door on a spree.

She bet it was bachelors footloose and free,

But it really turned out to be just their old neighbors

Who'd finish their cooking and wrapping and labors

And wanted to visit and chat for a while.

You'd chill many a cocktail on Mother's small smile

But she begged them to sit round while she did up the tree,

And she dropped the glass bulbs and they burst merrily;

They popped like champagne corks, a holiday sound

That occurs everywhere that a glass bulb is found.

While the kids overhead let out shrieks in their slumbers,

Asleep on the floor of the guest room in numbers.

To say what Ma did in the kitchen would weary

My readers as much as it did her, poor deary.

But to say she was keeping awake

Which just goes to show you some creatures WERE stirring.

## ... Good Tidings Of Great Joy ...



—Nicholas Morant.

## Vic Peeps' Christmas Jingle

(Or, doggerel bites man)

UP betimes and let's away—  
Harness up that Yuletide sleigh!  
Sound the chimes and fill the cup  
(And make demm'd sure you drink it up!)

Clash the cymbal, play the flute  
And join me in a round salute!  
For I am always mighty merry  
With His Honor, Wallace, Clary;

And let us toast such sturdy yeomen  
As Byron Johnson, Harry Bowman;  
Ernest Carson, Gordon Wismer,  
Douglas Turnbull, Arthur Lismer;

To Nancy Hodges, Madame Speaker,  
I will gladly hoist a beaker.  
And I'll admit I'm feeling fine  
On Mr. Anscomb's ruby wine.

(A noble fellow, our friend Herb,  
His business marked: Do Not Disturb;  
For Don McGugan (I'm not dumb)  
A tot of disinfectant rum.

And if you press me in a pinch  
I'll even bow to Harold Winch.

But come, let's fill the Christmas bag  
For Waldo Skillings, Joe DiMag;  
Claude L. Harrison, Percy George  
And Percy who'll clean up the Gorge;

A host of strangers, rich and foreign  
Will cheer up Mr. George I. Warren.  
But if they want a little drink  
They'll have to clear with Frederick

Hinker.

They want a tour? Some one to show it?  
Just pass 'em off on Rebel Mowat;  
A roudelay from Fred McGregor  
Will make 'em show a leg

Or maybe, after one quick look

They'll scramble for MV Chinook!  
But hold! Enough! I seem to stray  
From gentle greetings on this day  
So shout hola! for Barbara Green

The lady bountiful, serene;  
For Hilda Hunter, Margaret Clay,  
A most exciting Christmas day.  
(You want a golf club in your stocking?  
Permit me to present Bud Hocking.)

And now, to M'sieu Roger Leger  
Nous offrons nos meilleurs souhaits:  
(Which means, unless my French ferments

Halloo to one of nature's gents);  
Come, ere you climb upon the wagon  
Let's set up a Yuletide flagon  
With Russell Ker and Tickle, Billy

And Mrs. Gilmour's youngster, Willie;  
So baste the bird and let's go forth  
With William Hawkins, Joey North  
With every Goth, and every Saxon

And especially with Robert Jackson;  
What's that? You cannot ride, you say?  
Then hop aboard Ed. Farey's sleigh  
And heap it high with geese, with brand

For Gavin Chisholm, Gordon Grant,  
Freddie Watkins, William Heaney  
(They'll handle it, both big and teeny)  
But stop! Let's not get commercial  
Or pretty soon this versh'll  
Run away; and that's a curse:

Gadzooks, it goes from bad to verse!  
Ring out the cold, wring in the new  
Within linen fresh from Evans, Stew;  
Now cock a snook at Harry Haigh  
The man who made our garbage pay:  
Gold and frankincense and myrrh  
To Lilian Spencer, Robbie Ker,

Dudley Markham, splendid fellow  
And Mary Hammond on her cello;  
Come! shoulder up your finest pack  
For Stewart, Connie; Dr. Jack,  
Madgie Molson, Taylor, Phil  
(Eighteen cavities to fill)

And this is one day I'll go running  
To shake the hand of Dr. Gunning;  
So stuff the goose and whet the blade  
For Maestro Gruber, Johnny Wade

Spike the punch! Ignite the brandy!  
And have some Alka-Seltzer handy  
For Denny, Roy, and Denny, Tom  
And Sam's hepcat, Phumphon.

(Who asked him to this festive table?  
And while we're at it: Betty Grable?)

So let us yodel "Merry Christmas!"  
To all who live upon this isthmus:  
To Ernest Arnott, Clary Chubb  
And Scotty of the Union Club;

To Justin Harbord, Penman, Harry,  
A Happy Happy and a Merry Merry;  
And I will join with pleasure, too  
At the Feast of Stephen (Hugh),

With Morris Chestnut, man and son  
(One more kid and it's Six-for-One!)  
Yo-ho! Is that the plum duff brewing  
For Richard Wilson, Dr. Ewing?

And do I witness joy intense  
For Logan, in behind his fence?  
But now I must make shift to slumber  
(With poetry by Maurice Humber)  
Regretting that I haven't time  
To fit each name into a rhyme;  
But yodels, I feel a ruddy glow  
So bring a sprig of mistletoe  
And while you're at it, you might fetch  
My luckless spouse: My wife. Poor  
wretch.

## 'As Solid And Abiding As The Hills....'

ROBERT REID, in London Calling

THIS is the story of a great tradition—something which enriches the whole of England's North Country life at Christmas time—something as seasonable as holly and mistletoe and Christmas pudding and all the rest of it. That is what Handel's Messiah means to any North Countryman, to the people who go to the little chapels

on the hill-tops, the big choral societies who do their stuff in the town halls, the women in their white silk dresses, the trumpet soloists, and that vast legion of folk who just go to listen.

Woven into the fabric of the music—those massive choruses and those lovely quiet passages—there are countless little memories which are personal to each one of us; memories which reach back into the distant past, recalling departed friends and half-forgotten faces.

Walking home across the hills after rehearsals, stuffy, over-heated little chapels, and all the folk in their Sunday best.

The small boy who squirmed in a hard, wooden pew—to whom it was all a glorious blur in which the singing was mixed up in his mind with Christmas Eve and holly and frosty, starlit nights.

The odd thing about this worship of Handel's Messiah is that we are not all musicians and singers. Far from it! It is true, of course that you could fill the choir-stalls and concert platforms of Lancashire and Yorkshire twice over with people who could sing or play the Messiah blindfold from start to finish—and indeed do pride themselves on being able to dispense with a score.

But the fact remains that you need not be able to distinguish a croquet from a quaver to sit in on the Messiah. And if your blood does not urge and your spirit go vaulting with the Gothic mag-

nificence of the Hallelujah Chorus, or if something does not melt inside you as you listen to "I know that my Redeemer liveth"—well, you really do not belong either side of the Pennines.

Nothing can ever dim the glory of the great Messiah nights in the towns and cities of the north of England. I like to think of the old Free Trade Hall in Manchester, St. Georges Hall, Bradford, the Leeds Town Hall: those characteristic audiences—music with beauty and majesty and deep serenity: the people who bring their own scores with them, many of them family heirlooms which they open across their knees.

And then the sudden stir as the entire audience rises to its feet to join in that act of grace or tribute which makes the annual ritual of the Hallelujah Chorus. North Country folk do not usually parade their emotions or their beliefs, but maybe in this act there is a confession of faith, as solid and as abiding as the hills which bred them.

## ON THE TIMES

## Old Beyond Legend Yet Forever Fresh Come The Tidings Of Comfort And Joy

THE fragrance of evergreens is in the house and with it the quick expectancy our childhood used to know. Clear and clean, the simple spirit of Christmas is emerging.

So it comes, welling up each year, unharmed and natural. No god of commercialism can spur it, nor sentimentality stale it. Christmas, the real Christmas, is belief and faith, something in the hearts of people that stays fresh and honest.

It shines in the eyes of children, gazing in wonder at tree and presents. It lingers on the faces of older people joined in friendliness and affection. It lies in the generosity which adds something intangible to the gift. It glows in man when he comes closest to God's image.

A mother knows it deeply, tired from her extra labors, but sustained by the sure acceptance of the Christmas Inspiration. It is the thing she cherishes as she goes about her tasks, preparing the feast, filling the child's stocking.

It is the merry spirit in the air that keeps late shoppers cheery, that lends a ring to the greeting of friends on bustling streets. It is the substance of quiet prayers raised in the hope for peace on earth.

It is the sentiment captured by O. Henry in his "Gift of the Magi," that warm story of selfishness.

It is acceptance of the fancy Hardy wove about the oxen, kneeling humbly by a manger long ago.

It is the sharing and the sacrifice of Bob Cratchitt's family on Christmas Day, and the soft benediction of Tiny Tim.

It is the comforting opinion of an older Virginia, recalling the answer she received fifty years ago to her question about Santa Claus.

It is all these things and many more. And since it is made not of perishable matter, but of the spirit, it is enduring.

BEYOND MORTALITY

A tot may hold the spirit of Christmas, finding it light as the fragile bauble decorating a tree. Yet it is strong beyond physical strength. In it is an immortality no knives of cynicism can injure. It is old, perhaps beyond legend, yet it comes new each year, untarnished.

Its story is told simply, of a Babe

born humbly but honored among kings. It is told in the vision of a bright star seen by shepherd watching their flocks. There is comfort in it for the lowliest, humility in it for those of high degree.

Around it grow the folklore and the literature of generations, creating and recreating characters more abiding than any living soul.

For some it is symbolized by the fat, laughing figure of Santa and the magic of his sky-riding reindeer. To some it speaks in the familiar harmony of a well-loved carol. Others find it in the fellowship about the laden table.

The spirit of Christmas is a thing of the past, the present and the future. In it are the memories of good days gone by and old friends, some parted by long distance, some by time. It lives in the sense of kinship which warms the family hearth.

It is offered to the poor man and the wealthy, making all rich who can receive it. It is given in trust to the child and to the elder, taking different form but carrying the same essence.

It is generosity and kindness, faith and hope and the embodiment of that fineness which lends to humans a touch of the divine.—Art Stott.

## UPS AND DOWNS

## 'Roused Up Each Year, Still Fresh And Shining'

"CHRISTMAS," said the Elevator Man, "is a mighty selfish time. At least that's what a visitor, say from Mars, might think. If he had come down here and taken a casual look around, if he'd looked into our most famous and popular book and read that it's more blessed to give than to receive, and if he'd heard our moral leaders saying that the deed of good works will be rewarded many-fold, that generosity is a sure-fire investment if you want lasting returns, and if then he'd noted our feverish seasonal activity—the Martian visitor might well be justified in coming to the conclusion that we were all hurrying to get in on a good thing. He'd naturally believe that here was a very logical self-centered bunch of people contributing generously, charity, good will, and brotherly kindness on the expressed guarantee that they'd get a lot more out of the pot than they put in. In a way, I suppose, he'd be right. Not many of us do good hoping for bad in return. We like to be appreciated even if we aren't rewarded. And even if it doesn't pay ten-for-one dividends, we like to feel that our investment in humanity isn't a total loss. Going up!"

"Well," said the Elevator Man, "Christmas time is the right time for



Tobin

that. It's getting harder and harder to send anybody a Christmas card, for instance, without getting one in return. The fellow who says, 'I'll send these good wishes without any thought of getting some back, is struggling against the averages. Isn't it the truth that a good many of our cards are sent out because we know darn well so-and-so is going to send us one and we don't want the embarrassment of being on the defaulting end? Don't you have to admit that you worry a lot about how much Mabel will spend on your present because you don't want to be caught giving less? And mustn't you confess to a sudden panic when you get a card or a remembrance from old, half-forgotten Uncle Ned, and make a quick rush to the mailing list to see if he 'got one'? Finally, who, with the last card stamped, the last parcel wrapped and the last sticker licked, hasn't leaned back, breathed a 'Whew!' and said, 'Thank goodness that's done for another year? Going down!'

"Well," said the Elevator Man, "you don't have to worry about these little things. We can't help dragging a few little human failings into even our best moments. But specks of dirt aren't going to spoil the real appearance of the brave new suit or dress we present to the world. The tree still looks grand, even with a few of its leaves tarnished. And no fleeting thoughts of self are really going to spoil the glorious human spectacle of Christmas. For Christmas has survived much greater dangers than

that. It has survived two thousand years of storm and strife, of evil and greed, of envy and conflict, of darkness and cruelty—and come through it more shining than ever. It has survived, and is surviving, one of the most dangerous onslaughts—the modern tendency to commercialize it. Six weeks of steady salesmanship each year haven't been able to kill the spontaneity and genuineness of Christmas. For Christmas is greater than all these things. The Martian would be wrong. It's not a logical, tit-for-tat thing, a balancing of books, a cynical trading of wishes or gifts. It's a spirit, it's a feeling. It's the dark glasses taken off our vision of life to let us see the splendor beaming through. And we have one sure guarantee that it will never be anything else. If we came upon Christmas directly as adults we no doubt would have wrecked it long ago. But we are not entrusted with such a responsibility until we've had our training. And our apprenticeship is long and sure. For we learn about Christmas as children, when our minds and souls are in tune with its principles. And what we learn then stays with us all our lives, a part of our inner selves, a facet of our better nature, so that a half a century later, through the murk of time and the deepening sediment of life, we can rouse the spirit up each year, still fresh and shining, still sincere and good, and create anew, for ourselves and our fellowmen, a truly Merry Christmas."—Brian Tobin.



# DEVOUT CONVERGE ON BETHLEHEM

Traditional Pilgrimage To Holy City Marked By Strife As In Days Of Herod

JERUSALEM, Dec. 24 (UP).—The faithful, yearning for peace in a troubled world, prepared today to begin their pilgrimage to Bethlehem over a route still bearing the scars of war.

## 700 Crowd To Watch 'Cinderella'

A crowd of more than 700 attended Sooke Elementary School Christmas concert in Sooke Community Hall to see a pantomime, "Cinderella," written and directed by John Steele.

He was assisted by staff members E. E. Pollard, Mrs. P. Price, A. Creman and Mrs. I. M. West.

Performers were Sharon Michelsen, mother; Lynn Roberts, child; John Baskerville, cat; Carol Milliken, Cinderella; Dianne Duncan, stepmother; Lynda Shepherd, Agatha; Lynn Elgar, Lavinia; Ronald Fedosenko, Burt; Steven Vowels, Kurt; Arlene Mee, fairy godmother; Gordon Robinson, king; Nelieke Perestram, queen.

Gladys Heathman, prince; Charles Lavertue, major domo; John Kendrew, prime minister; Lynda Vowels, Paul Lavertue; Beth Hamilton, Benny Nixon; Joel Apin, Wayne Stoth and Janet Fedosenko, mice; Vivian Grunow, Barbara Wilkinson, Dianne Clowes, Iris Baskerville; Lynn Kelly, Lynda Moore, Marilyn Yost, Jackie Blight, Marilyn Michelsen, Maureen Farquhar, fairies.

Eloise Nixon, Anne Gibson, Judy Goldie, Jean Dunlop, ladies-in-waiting; Kenneth Pitre, John Robinson, Pat Farquhar and Jimmy Gibson, courtiers, Dona D'Arcy and Andrea Rosman, entertainers.

Jeannie Duncan, Eddie Eve, Wendy Gibson, Ronald Goudie, Jimmy Hamilton, Patti Kendrew, John Laninga, Karen MacDonald, Nan MacDonald, Terry Martin, Sandra Moseley, Jimmy Nelson, Joan Perry, Bob Thompson, Jean Thompson, Kay Olsen and Lila Facey, Sooke Drill Team.

The program opened with choruses by the school choir and closed with massed singing by the whole school—185 voices—conducted by Mr. Pollard.

More than 300 bags of candy were distributed to the children by Santa Claus.

## Turnbull Names Three Pension Board Members

James H. Creighton, George M. Endacott and James A. Sadler, all of Vancouver and well-known in the social welfare field, have been appointed by the provincial government to form the board which will administer old-age assistance and blind persons' allowances.

Health and Welfare Minister A. D. Turnbull made the announcement over the week-end.

Creighton and Endacott are members of the present old-age pension board. The third member who died recently was not replaced because the old-age pension board will cease to exist Dec. 31, 1951. New legislation covering the pensions was enacted at the special October session of the legislature.

As under the old board, Creighton will be chairman. For several years he was superintendent of welfare and mothers' allowances.

Endacott was a senior official of the social welfare branch for many years, his last position being regional administrator in Vancouver.

Sadler is present regional administrator of the social welfare branch in charge of the lower mainland and west coast areas.

## Planes Begin Big Yule Lift

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24 (AP).—Sixty planes, chartered by the army, began a "home-by-Christmas" airlift Saturday for more than 2,800 late-arriving combat veterans from Korea.

Since Tuesday about 10,000 army and air force veterans have arrived here from the Far East.

## SPECIAL TOUR OF CHRISTMAS LIGHTING DEC. 26, 7.30 P.M.

Arranged by Junior Chamber

In order that the general public may have an opportunity of seeing some of the foremost entries in its Christmas residential lighting contest, the Junior Chamber of Commerce has arranged a special bus tour of over 15 entries in the Victoria and Oak Bay area.

Buses for the 90-minute tour will leave Pandora and Douglas B.C.E. depot at 7.30 p.m. Charge for the complete tour is 25 cents.

You are invited.

## YULE SURPRISE-SAILOR FLIES HOME TO HIS ASTONISHED WIFE

Home came the sailor. Home from the sea in time to surprise his wife at Christmas, P.O. Jack Groves, supposed by Mrs. Groves to be serving in H.M.C.S. Cayuga somewhere off the Korean coast, arrived home over the week-end, complete with a beard to out-Santa Santa Claus.

He's home for discharge after 7 1/2 years' service. Return trip was made by Canadian Pacific Airlines to Vancouver from Tokyo. With him were Leading Seamen Joseph Poulton and William Krieger, of Cayuga, and A.B. John Whyte of H.M.C.S. Athabaskan, who have returned for shore courses.

## WEATHER SYNOPSIS

VICTORIA'S SUNSHINE RECORD TO DATE, 1951—

2,331 HOURS. SYNOPSIS: A minor disturbance moved over most of the province Sunday night and will cross the Kootenays today. Over two inches of fresh snow fell in the Cariboo and lesser amounts elsewhere. Scattered rainshowers were reported on the West Coast of Vancouver Island.

Pressures along the coast are falling slowly and the outlook for Christmas Day must be rather pessimistic. Most of the southern part of the province will be dull and cold, although not much snow is expected. Clearing is looked for in the northern Interior but this will be accompanied by cold temperatures.

REGIONAL FORECASTS VICTORIA: Mostly clear tonight and Tuesday. Light winds. Low tonight and high Tuesday, 30 and 40.


WEST COAST: Variable cloudiness. Little change in temperature. Light winds. Low tonight and high Tuesday at Estevan, 20 and 40.

VANCOUVER AND GEORGIA STRAIT: Cloudy and cold Tuesday. Snow flurries Tuesday morning. Light winds. Low tonight and high Tuesday at Vancouver Airport and Nanaimo, 28 and 38; Abbotsford, 18 and 32.

TEMPERATURES

	Min.	Max.	Precip.
Halifax	21	28	
Montreal	19	27	.81
Ottawa	8	13	.18
Toronto	10	24	
Winnipeg	-16	-7	
Brandon	-17	-2	
Regina	-17	-2	
Saskatoon	-17	-2	
Lethbridge	-5	16	
Calgary	-5	16	
Edmonton	-5	16	
Kamloops	-2	14	
Penticton	-13	17	
Vancouver	28	35	.02
Victoria	21	37	
Port Rupert	17	26	.20
Prince George	-20	17	.25
Fort St. John	-31	3	.07
Whitehorse	-31	3	.07
Seattle	-25	45	
Portland	25	45	
Chicago	-5	26	
San Francisco	49	65	.61
Los Angeles	49	65	
New York	38	46	
New Westminster	24	31	.07

SUNSHINE AND SUNSET—  
Dec. 24—Sunrise, 8:01—Sunset, 4:21  
Dec. 25—Sunrise, 8:06—Sunset, 4:21  
Dec. 26—Sunrise, 8:09—Sunset, 4:23



We, on Arena Way, wish you all a Very Happy Christmas

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Ludwig Richter's "Glory to God in the highest." Scratch board reproduction by A. R. Arretton.

## OPEN DOORS TO STRANGERS

## Citizens Offer Homeless Warm Christmas Welcome

If any new Canadian in Victoria spends a lonely Christmas day, it will not be through lack of effort on the part of the Victoria Citizenship Council.

Working through the Y.W.C.A. which serves as liaison between new arrivals and local residents willing to entertain them, the council hopes to provide Christmas hospitality for all those who do not yet have their own homes.

Miss Christine Gardiner, executive secretary of the Y.W.C.A., reports that 88 families have been offered Christmas dinners, but that only those who are single, and without relatives, have accepted.

Twelve single men will be guests of Mrs. W. Rogers, 42 South Turner, who has long been interested in welcoming new Canadians. Her guests, plus her own family of six, are expected to demolish two 20-pound turkeys.

Approximately 50 men from Scandinavia, Austria and Germany, who arrived less than a

week ago, are at Immigration Building awaiting job placement. A Christmas dinner with all the trimmings is planned for them there.

There are many service men here, away from home, who would appreciate Christmas invitations.

## What are YOU best at?

They showed a vet he'd be a bad grocer but a swell office manager (now in). A "dumb" truck driver proved to be a top engineering prospect.

In January Reader's Digest, T. E. Murphy tells how the Community Advisory Service of Bridgeport, Connecticut guides people into work they're best suited for—and away from tragic mistakes.

Here's how more than 22,000 young men and women have benefited from this service and how the methods used should serve as a model for other communities to follow.

Get your January Reader's Digest today: 37 articles of lasting interest, condensed from leading magazines, current books.



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## Damaged Ship Reaches Haven

FLUSHING, The Netherlands, Dec. 24 (AP)—The American freighter Edison Mariner, her engine room partly flooded, reached the safety of port here late Saturday.

Two unidentified crew members died in the collision of the 7,176-ton vessel with the British freighter Kittiwake in the foggy Schelde estuary near the Belgian coast.

### STARTS TODAY!

For 3 Days  
Mario Lanza and Kathryn Grayson  
"THAT MIDNIGHT KISS"  
Starts at 6.40 and 8.50  
Feature at 7.12 and 9.24

### OAK BAY

OUR FAMILY THEATRE  
DOORS OPEN 6.30

# Seeing The Movies

... With CECIL MAIDEN

### "ROYAL JOURNEY"

Dominion: Starting Wednesday (Boxing Day)

This is the most stirring picture that has yet been made in Canada. And although it is front-page news in the fullest sense of the phrase, it is by no means "just a newsreel" of the Royal visit. It is a powerful tremendously vital portrait of Canada at its grandest and most festive mood.

"Royal Journey" is exciting almost any way you look at it, and will merit much repeated seeing. One remarkable aspect of it is Princess Elizabeth's own notice.

### Jillicum OUTDOOR

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new system. It stands up to the Royal Tour's bad weather with such brilliance that you could almost have the impression that the whole journey was made in sunshine. And it gives some memorable shots of the great, wide arc of Canada. Pictorially speaking, among the best of them are some glimpses of the Royal plane in the air, a shot of Princess Elizabeth and Philip in a sleigh during a snowstorm, some intimate close-ups—and long shots—of the journey from Vancouver to Victoria.

And there is one dazzling highlight of Elizabeth at her most Royal—in golden crinolines, ermine and diamond tiara, arriving for the Royal Command performance of the Winnipeg Ballet. Those indoor shots of the Royal couple in formal evening dress will especially thrill the young Canadians. And so will some fascinating scenes at Calgary's special "little stampede."

There is not only a magnifi-

cently-handled musical score to the film—vivid with dignity, yet young as the country of which it sings—but a most happy choice of narrative voices. Among them you will hear a Canadian housewife... a small Toronto schoolboy... a western farmer... a rich-tinged Scottish voice from the Maritimes. And over and around them you will hear the voices of thousands and thousands of just plain Canadians. This is a film that will make them proud of the fact. And it is an especially pleasing feather in the cap of the National Film Board, who produced it.

### Sixty Up Club Meets For Christmas Party

Members of the Cedar Hill Branch of the Sixty Up Club held a Christmas dinner at St. Luke's Church hall recently.

It was cooked and served by members of the Women's Guild of the church.

### FOTO-NITE TONIGHT

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2.30, 4.15, 7.30  
**ADVENTURE**  
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WILLIAM LUNDGREN  
FAT MONKEY



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WALTER BRENDA - DOUGLAS BOWEN

### DOMINION

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Only he saw the ghosts  
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The "New Profile" Gives  
a Great Barrymore Performance!



Color by Technicolor

Starring  
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STARTS TODAY!

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Featuring—  
RAYMOND WALBURN  
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... the most hilarious  
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## IN TOWN TONIGHT

### ON THE SCREEN

ATLAS—"Crosswinds," at 3.26, 6.13, 9.30, plus "Footlight Varieties."  
CAPITOL—"Across the Wide Missouri," at 1.37, 3.37, 5.37, 7.37, 9.42.  
DOMINION—"Love Nest," at 3.04, 6.17, 9.35, plus "Kentucky."

FOX—"Luxury Liner," at 6.50 and 9.00. Doors 6.30.  
OAK BAY—"That Midnight Kiss," at 6.40 and 8.50. Doors 6.30.  
ODEON—"Anne of the Indies," at 1.24, 3.29, 5.34, 7.34, 9.00.  
PLAZA—"High Lonesome" plus "Father's Wild Game."

RIO—"Eagle and the Hawk," plus "Texas, Brooklyn and Heaven." Doors 6.00 p.m.  
ROYAL—"Two Tickets to Broadway," at 1.08, 3.00, 5.12, 7.14, 9.21.

Armament on the B-36 bomber includes 16 20-mm. cannon mounted in disappearing turrets.

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FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS ENJOYMENT!

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STARTING TIMES  
Christmas Day, 'Golden Girl,'  
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5.18, 8.11

STARTING TIMES  
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'Golden Girl,'  
at 1.00, 3.29, 5.35, 9.18  
'Royal Journey,'  
2.45, 5.37, 8.11

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# Paging Mr. Claus... Just A Couple Of Items Badly Needed Here

Dear Santa Claus;  
Well, Mr. Claus, this letter will probably find you off your ice-covered throne up there at the North Pole because it is not often that a newspaper office will take time to acknowledge your existence. And who is more skeptical than the members of a sports department?

However, sir, to show you there is still some faith in this battered old globe, we take Remington in hand to make a few humble requests of you.

The requests contained

herein are not selfish nor are there any ulterior motives concealed within. But, Mr. Claus, if you are a sports fan, we are sure that you will do your utmost to comply.

Firstly, sir, would it be at all possible for you to leave a small package in the stocking of Mr. Reginald Patterson—he of the Victoria Athletic Baseball Club? Be benign, sir, and make it a package of crisp, newly-minted \$100 bills with which to purchase large amounts of baseball players.

To the Victoria Cougars,

dispatch in a tinselled box the permanent ownership papers for the Shipstad and Johnston and Phil Henderson trophies. We would love to have them kept in this city—they have a sentimental value.

And, could you, in your travels in Eastern Canada, put a bug in the ears of certain basketball officials. Just tell them Norm Baker is still interested in playing if they would see fit to let him. And while you are there, you might tell Frank Selke of the Montreal Canadiens what Les-

ter Patrick's phone number is. He appears to have misplaced it.

Don Gray of the Victoria and District Football Association would certainly appreciate it if you could leave a geiger counter under his tree. With that he might be able to catch the sneaky who insists on dropping pennies wrapped in silver paper in the collection box.

For Nick Harris, the order is one competent wrestling referee and a big box to keep all his money in.

Victoria Amateur Boxing

Association could use a drawing card of the calibre of wrestler Logger Jack McDonald, and Logger Jack could use a Toni.

And please, Mr. Claus, could you arrange it so that the Shamrocks will have no broken bones come Mann Cup time next year? No fractured scapoids, no broken tibias and nary a ruptured femur. Maybe a rubber floor covering for the arena would do the trick.

Aw heck, Santa, we always have a big rivalry with Vancouver on every kind of

sport and we try occasionally to run them down. But let's be nice for a while and see if you can help them with that football team in the W.F.U.

And speaking of football teams, Ivan Edwards and his Royal Roads gridders deserve a candy stick for being such a great power in the local league.

Perhaps you will not be able to do anything with this request but you could gain the undying respect and admiration of every angler in Victoria if you could arrange for Stan Williams to catch a

fish sometime... somewhere... somehow.

And don't you think that Doug Fletcher, now firmly ensconced in a sprawling chicken ranch deserves to have two yokes in all his eggs?

To all golfers—cement fairways that slope downhill and holes that gobble up putts. Bring to sports cartoonists Mort Graham and Stan Davison, a box each of pencils that never dull.

Well, Santa, it's getting late and we have about filled

out our list. If there's any one we've missed will you give them a year full of the greatest sports thrills yet? As for you, nice old man, how about dropping in some time and discussing sled races?

Merry Christmas you old rascal and may all your reindeers do the 100-yard dash in 10 seconds or better.

Yours sincerely,  
Denny Boyd.

P.S.—Bruce Humber would like a trip to Helsinki—the Olympic Games, you know.

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## IT'S MY VIEW

By BILL WALKER, Sports Editor

'Twas the night before Christmas, and in the sports lodge,  
Not a Cougar was stirring, not even Big Rog;  
The trophies were stacked at the Arena with care,  
In hopes that more laurels soon would be there.

The players were nestled all snug in their beds,  
While visions of bonuses danced through their heads;  
And Lester in 'kerchief, and Hutch in his cap,  
Had just been discussing the Chamberlain chap.

When out on the prairies there arose such a clatter,  
MacKenzie sprang from the ice to see what was the matter;  
Away to his Royals he flew like a flash,  
Tore into Forbes, to others gave the lash.

When what to his championship eyes should appear  
But a Saskatoon Quaker with eyes that did leer,  
And a P.C.H.L. team, so lively and quick,  
He knew in a moment this wasn't a trick.

More rapid than Shamrocks, United they came,  
As they whistled and shouted and yelled the names:  
'Now, Fergie! Now, Duffer! Now, Travis! Now, Henderson!  
On, Andrews! On, Robbins! On, Scott and Severson!

To the top of the league, to the head of the class;  
We want the Mann Cup before many moons pass;  
And with it the footballer's greatest delight,  
The Canadian title—to Eade, what a sight!

And then in a twinkling Johnnie heard on the roof,  
The prancing of Barrett with his pay cheque for proof;  
As 'Dick tucked in his head and was turning around,  
'Pat' threw a right and both hit the ground.

He was dressed all in green from his head to his feet;  
George Norgan, by name, and they treated him sweet;  
A bundle of cash he had flung on his back,  
But only he knows if the A's will be back.

His eyes how they twinkled! His head, how it shone;  
Doug Fletcher was seen with a chicken in town.  
His droll little mouth drawn up in a bow,  
Don Gray was still making the soccer league go.

The stump of a stogie held tight in his teeth,  
The smoke it encircled Wright's head like a wreath;  
He had a broad face, with a new job he was stuck;  
Ivan Temple took over the minor kids' puck.

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old man,  
And he laughed when he saw Williams show in the hall,  
With a salmon, no less. He said it was his,  
Though the story he told, on us didn't fizz.

Watson spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,  
Of fielding a team, then turned with a jerk;  
Viduals had had it, for Norm Baker was out,  
Clark had turned gimpy, the cage sport had nought.

There's Eddie, and Andy, and Ernie, and Bob;  
If you know your hockey, you should know the mob,  
And Carson, and Taylor, and Yeaman's, and White,  
To all phases of sport, they lend their might.

And Lewis, and Kelpin, and Allen, and Humber,  
And Keats, and Given, and Woolston, and number;  
They've all done their bit—well, you know the rest;  
There isn't the space to name all the best.

So we'll spring to the sleigh and give our regards  
To the printers, the proofmen, the stereo pards,  
And everyone else—we've forgotten a few:  
A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL, AND BY ALL  
WE MEAN YOU!

## Tide At Full Strength For McKechnie Cup Tilt

Sid Gaunt, coach of Victoria's Crimson Tide, is looking happier than the smiling Irishman, Gary Pynn, who has been out of the Tide line-up for the past two weeks, attended the McKechnie Cup squad's final practice Sunday feeling fitter than a

fiddle, and will play against Vancouver at Macdonald Park Boxing Day at 2:30. Pynn was the only doubtful starter from the team announced Friday.

With Vancouver, the story is a bit different. The Lions will be without the aid of their speedy wing three-quarters, Gordy Hemingway, of the Vindex Club, and veteran Bill Kinder, sidelined with a bad knee injury, will be replaced by clubmate Don Spence. Jack Smith replaces Kinder.

A Vancouverite worth keeping an eye on during the contest is team captain Grahame Budge.

Budge is playing his first season in Canada under the colors of the Vancouver Rowing Club. He has four Scottish International caps and played for the All-Scottish which toured New Zealand last year.

**A's Down Eilers**  
ALBURN, B.C., Dec. 24 (CP)—Albourn Athletics Saturday night defeated Vancouver Eilers 60-56 in a senior A men's basketball game here. It was Eilers' second loss of the intercity basketball season.

## WEST INDIES NEAR TEST CRICKET WIN

ADELAIDE, Australia, Dec. 24 (Reuters).—The West Indies, making a great bid to win the third cricket test match against Australia, needed only 179 runs for victory with all their second-innings wickets standing when the second day's play ended today.

Australia, 23 runs behind on the first innings, were dismissed shortly after tea for 255 in their second knock, eight wickets falling today for the addition of 235 runs.

Alf Valentine, who was spinning the ball well today, took six Australian wickets for 102.

## Bell Leads Ed Dorohoy By One Point

The only Pacific Coast Hockey League game Sunday produced another leader in the fluctuating individual scoring race.

Joe Bell of Seattle Ice Men assisted once in Seattle's 2-1 win over Vancouver Canucks to climb back into first place. Bell now has 44 points, one better than Ed Dorohoy who had jumped into a tie with Bell Saturday night by scoring three assists.

Andy Heberton's three goals Saturday moved him into sixth place.

Leaders follow:	G.	A.	Pts.
Bill, Seattle	24	19	45
E. Dorohoy, Victoria	18	28	45
O. Dorohoy, New Westminster	18	28	45
Adams, Tacoma	22	18	40
Pashway, New Westminster	22	18	40
Poplin, Vancouver	18	22	40
Rebensen, Victoria	22	18	40
Asst. Calgary	18	22	40
P. Mann, Vancouver	18	22	40
Felder, New Westminster	18	22	40
Franklin, Victoria	18	22	40
Ellison, Edmonton	18	22	40
Sproul, Seattle	18	22	40
Bradley, Tacoma	18	22	40
Johnson, Seattle	18	22	40
Chad, Saskatoon	18	22	40
Cuback, Edmonton	18	22	40
Leger, Victoria	18	22	40
Abbott, Victoria	18	22	40
D. Anderson, Victoria	18	22	40
Evans, Victoria	18	22	40
McIntyre, Victoria	18	22	40
Medynski, Victoria	18	22	40
Goggin, Victoria	18	22	40
Swenson, Victoria	18	22	40
Seppanen, Victoria	18	22	40
Reche, Victoria	18	22	40
Sullivan, Victoria	18	22	40
Reichard, Victoria	18	22	40

**REACHES 301**  
MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 24 (AP)—Charlie Burr, the leading United States jockey, rode his 301st winner in the eighth race at Tropical Park Saturday.



## HOCKEY SCORES

**A.H.L.**  
Cincinnati 2, Hershey 1.  
Providence 3, Syracuse 1.

**HARTFORD SENIORS**  
Saint John 7, Gloucester 3.  
Charlottetown 4, Halifax 2.

**QUEBEC SENIOR**  
Montreal 2, Ottawa 2.  
Valleyfield 1, Chateaufort 0.

**QUEBEC JUNIOR**  
Nations 4, Quebec 3.

**ONTARIO SENIOR**  
Stratford 2, Hamilton 2.  
Owen Sound at Barrie, cancelled, weather.

**ONTARIO JUNIOR**  
Kitchener 2, Galt 1.  
St. Catharines 2, Oshawa 0.  
Toronto Marlboros 6, Waterloo 0.  
Toronto 8, Michener 7, Windsor 2.

**MANITOBA JUNIOR**  
Winnipeg Black Hawks 3, Brandon 4.

**SASKATCHEWAN SENIOR**  
Moose Jaw 1, Yorkton 11.

**SASKATCHEWAN JUNIOR**  
Humboldt 2, Saskatoon 7.  
Prince Albert 4, Regina 0.

**WESTERN CANADA JUNIOR**  
Regina 0, Edmonton 7.

**WESTERN INTERNATIONAL SENIOR**  
Trail 4, Spokane 4.  
Nelson 2, Kimberley 0.

**OKANAGAN SENIOR**  
Penticton 0, Kamloops 7.  
Vernon 2, Kelowna 0.

**PACIFIC COAST SENIOR**  
Kerrisdale 4, Nanaimo 2.

**SATURDAY**  
**EASTERN CANADA SENIOR**  
Toronto 6, Buckingham 4.

**QUEBEC SENIOR**  
Sherbrooke 6, Shawinigan Falls 1.  
Valleyfield 1, Quebec 0.  
Ottawa 2, Montreal 4.

**QUEBEC JUNIOR**  
Three Rivers 2, Granby 0.

**O.M.A.-JUNIOR A**  
Toronto 3, Michener 4, Toronto Marlboros 1.

**SASKATCHEWAN JUNIOR**  
Prince Albert 4, Flin Flon 4.

## THIRTY-FIRST YEAR

## Nine Entrants For Yule Swim

You may never find the answer to the question of why people climb mountains but down at the Inner Harbor on Christmas Day you can find out why people leave their houses and go plunging into the salt chuck while everyone else is home opening presents.

## Monarchs Snag Another From Nanaimo Six

Kerrisdale and Kimberley, shaking loose the notion that they are doomed to lose, are kicking their heels in senior amateur hockey play in British Columbia.

During the week-end, the Pacific Coast League Monarchs chalked up their fourth win in five starts, while the Western International League Dynamiters took their third straight victory.

Monarchs edged Nanaimo Six 4-3 at Nanaimo as Stan Chmielek fired three goals for Kerrisdale.

Dynamiters slapped Nelson Maple Leafs 5-2 on the strength of a four-goal outburst in the middle period at Kimberley.

A five-goal second period Sunday night gave the second-place Spokane Flyers a 6-3 win over the Smokies. Flyers also took the Saturday night game, 6-4.

Kamloops Elks looked like the league leaders they are in the Okanagan senior loop by whitewashing Penticton-Vs 7-0. They extended their league lead to 14 points as Kelowna Packers took a 6-2 victory over Vernon Canadians.

## Beardless Now, Mac Tops Mat Program

Wrestling returns to the Bay Street Armories Saturday.

The main event will bring together Chief Thunderbird and Logger Jack McDonald, who, incidentally, is without his bushy beard now. The bout will have no time limit and must produce a winner.

Kamel Mahmoud and Con Bruno will match holds in the semi-main bout with Jack Kiser and Cal Roberts.

A tag team match featuring local talent has been arranged for the opener. Roy and Lionel Speller will go against Tyke Myren and Art Lamphier.

## Lach Takes N.H.L. Lead

Elmer Lach took sole possession of top spot in the National Hockey League's individual scoring race during the week-end.

**GOLDSWORTHY LEAVES**  
Leroy Goldworthy coached the Buffalo Bisons of the A.H.L. for the last time Sunday night. He leaves for Vancouver soon and a pro golf job at Vancouver Marine.

**Season's Greetings**  
To the Bowlers of Greater Victoria

**OPEN ALLEYS**  
From 10 A.M. to 11:30 P.M. DAILY

**Strathcona Bowling Alleys**  
STRATHCONA HOTEL

## RAMS UPSET BROWNS IN GRID FINAL

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24 (AP).—Pro football's three master passers met in Memorial Coliseum Saturday, but two of them ganged up on the third. As a result, the Los Angeles Rams are the new champions of the National Football League.

It was just about a stand-off between Otto Graham of Cleveland's Browns and Bob Waterfield of the Rams. Between them, they had fashioned a 17-17 tie in the waning minutes of a great ball game.

Then young Norman Van Brocklin, the Flying Dutchman from Oregon, took over from Waterfield. And on one great toss, gathered in by Tommy Fears for a net gain of 73 yards, the Rams busted a long-standing jinx wide open and whipped the Browns 24-17.

It was the Rams' first victory over Cleveland in five tries, and their first championship since 1945—although they have been in the playoff three years running.

The 50-yard endurance test is scheduled to begin at 11, but swimmers are requested to report to the Crystal Gardens at 10:30.

## Saanichton Cagers Win Two, Lose Two

Saanichton basketball teams split Saturday night's four-game card at Saanichton Hall.

For Brentwood, who won both contests, the Old Timers were victorious, 36-27, while the poovees mastered Saanichton's Nippers 17-10.

Saanichton junior girls trimmed their Brentwood counterparts, 18-6, and the hometown junior boys nipped Sooke, 18-14.

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## Home Sked Favors Cats

Roger Leger's eyes are probably as bright and happy today as a kid's on Christmas morning. They are that way because things are looking bright for the Cougars.

On Saturday night the Cats defeated New Westminster Royals, 4-2, to make it two wins over the league-leaders on Royal ice.

Andy Heberton rapped in three goals, Ed Dorohoy garnered a trio of assists and Jerry Cotnoir, making his first full-game start in the nets, was the Jerry Cotnoir of last year.

Starting Wednesday, the Cougars play five games in a row on home ice.

On Boxing Day at 3 it will be the arch-rival Vancouver Canucks who take to the local ice. The Cougars have a couple of scores to settle with Murph Chamberlain and Co.

Friday, Saskatoon Quakers come to town.

## IRONMEN CLIP CANUCKS

There was but one game Sunday night. In that one, Seattle's goalie Freckles Little came within five minutes of recording his first shutout as Seattle beat Vancouver 2-1.

Nick Tomiuk and Jim Fairburn scored for Seattle in the first and second period, respectively.

Ron Plumb made a clean break at 15:22 of the last period to beat Little for Vancouver's only goal.

In other Saturday night games Calgary Stampeders were tied 4-4 on a late goal by Saskatoon Quakers and Vancouver Canucks scored three times in the last period to beat Tacoma Rockets 3-1.

## Indians To Pay Black Money Coming

CLEVELAND, Dec. 24 (AP).—Cleveland Indians decided Saturday to pay former pitcher Don Black any money he has coming because of the brain injury that ended his baseball career.

Black had filed his claim for disability compensation with the Ohio Industrial Commission. The regional board here ruled in his favor. Black collapsed while at bat during a game with St. Louis Browns in 1948.

The Indians had a right to appeal to the commission but Indian president Ellis Ryan said: "Whether the injury was the result of an innate, physical weakness or a strain incurred during a game is not important to our decision. We simply feel that help of this kind is deserved by Don because of his service with the Indians."

Just how much Black will get was not disclosed.

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## SUMMARIES

**SEATTLE 2, VANCOUVER 1**  
First Period—1, Seattle, Tomiuk, 14.45.  
Penalties: Jackson, Plumb, Lofendahl, Tarnia, Richardson.  
Second Period—2, Seattle, Fairburn (Bell), 4:58. Penalties: Conn, Maxwell (Gordon), 15:21. Penalties: None.

**VICTORIA 4, NEW WESTMINSTER 3**  
First Period—1, Victoria, Heberton (Dorohoy, Frankton) 2:00. 2, New Westminster, Dufault (Lavelle) 2:06. 3, Victoria, Heberton (Leger, Dorohoy) 7:45. Penalties: Medynski 3:15, Leger 14:25, Lavelle 15:49.  
Second Period—4, Victoria, Medynski (Abbott, Evans) 4:35. 5, New Westminster, Dufault (Coburn, Lavelle) 7:16. Penalties: None.  
Third Period—6, Victoria, Heberton (Frankton, Dorohoy) 15:47. Penalties: O. Dorohoy 8:56, Medynski 8:56, Roche 10:15, Bergeson 19:25.

**CALGARY 4, SASKATOON 4**  
First Period—1, Saskatoon, Kaleta (Chad, Strain) 3:50. 2, Calgary, Black (Anderson) 10:22. 3, Calgary, Goodacre (Blade, Anderson) 11:15. 4, Saskatoon, Kaleta 16:07. 5, Calgary, 16:44. Penalties: 16:11. Penalties—Shivers 12:15, Kusma 12:15.  
Second Period—2, Saskatoon, Kusma (Rouse) 1:21. Penalty—Millard 14:00.  
Third Period—3, Vancouver, Chad (Bodolai) 7:47. 6, Calgary, Miller 16:53. Penalties—Shivers 12:15, Kusma 12:15, Stevenson 20.

**VANCOUVER 3, TACOMA 1**  
First Period—No scoring. Penalties—Tarnia (2).  
Second Period—1, Tacoma, Adam (Bradley, Johnston) 1:00. Penalties—Plumb, Unger, Brown, B. Smith.  
Third Period—2, Vancouver, Gustafson (Pepin) 4:48. 3, Vancouver, Manson (Lefendahl, Leger) 14:48. Penalties—Brown, Gustafson (2), Marquess, Stone—Mansie 22, Stevenson 20.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	P.	A.	Pts.
Westminster	35	20	19	4	128	91	46
Seattle	37	17	13	7	142	121	41
Saskatoon	30	19	15	8	106	87	38
VICTORIA	30	18	14	8	155	101	39
Tacoma	22	13	14	5	116	126	31
Edmonton	29	12	17	5	101	109	29
Vancouver	27	9	15	11	119	153	25
Calgary	22	10	19	8	116	136	23

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## Hat Trick For McIntyre As City Thumps Heaney's

### DAVIS HITS PAYOFF; LEWIS CAPTURES SWEEP

Walt Davis became the first bowler to hit the jackpot in the "strike it rich" program in effect at Gibson's Bowldrome Sunday, but Lloyd Lewis took home the big money. Trundling in the Yule tenpin sweepstakes Davis ran a seven-tiler from the fourth frame on into a 253 total to cash in on the special award of \$25 for a 250-275 score. Davis also took third in the sweep with a five-game total of 980, trailing Lewis and Ian McKeachie. Lewis picked up \$30 for his winning score of 1,020 on games of 248-189-182-186-30 (handicap). McKeachie had 198-169-164-186-196-83-996 for a \$30 prize. Davis added \$22.30 to his special award with games of 140-203-166-253-175-43-980.

## All-Star Minor Hockey Teams Drill This Week

Divisional all-star workouts feature this week's scheduled action in the Victoria Minor Hockey Association. The midget rep squad which practiced today will hold another drill Tuesday morning at 7 while the picked bantam unit will work out Thursday morning at 8 and Saturday at 11. Bruins and Maroons of the bantam loop will meet in a league contest Thursday evening at 5:30 with Royals and Cubs clashing Saturday morning at 6. In last Saturday's midget action, Steve Foster paced Senators to a 7-2 triumph over Cubs with three goals. M. Hawes (2), B. McCall and M. Fairley tallied for Senators, and Bill Foster and Bob Showers for Cubs. In bantam play, Capitals defeated Cubs, 2-0; Bruins whipped Maroons, 6-2, and Senators handed Royals their first defeat, 6-3. Large got the hat trick for Bruins, other goals going to Brookman with two, and Young.

## Mangrum Tops Pro Golf Cash Parade

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Lloyd Mangrum reached goldmine's highest pinnacle Saturday when he was named the 1951 money-winning champion and Vardon Trophy holder. The 37-year-old veteran was credited with the double title by the Professional Golfers' Association for his top money earnings of \$26,088 and the leading Vardon rating of 70.04 strokes per round. Sam Snead, 1949 and 1950 champion, failed to land in the top five. However, Mangrum's earnings were below those of Snead for the previous two years, the West Virginia slugger having taken the loot with \$31,893 and \$35,758 respectively. Leaders follow:

Player	Rds.	Score	Avg.	Winning
Lloyd Mangrum	104	70.05	\$26,088.83	
Sam Snead	104	70.05	\$24,075.91	
Ben Hogan	104	70.29	\$22,876.87	
Jack Burke, Jr.	104	70.86	\$20,499.09	
Don Burs	104	71.18	\$18,653.23	
Sam Snead	104	70.82	\$17,072.50	
Don Burs	104	71.18	\$16,605.58	
Steve Riegel	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Clayton Heathner	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Ed Oliver	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Marty Furgol	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Harry Barbee	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Jim Demarest	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Ed Furel	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Johnny Palmer	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Frank Hawkins	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Nobby Tonk	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
E. J. Harrison	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Lee Worsham	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Earl Riewert	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Buck White	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Jimmy Clark	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
The Kroll	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	
Henry Ransom	104	71.31	\$15,882.17	

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## TRAVIS JOINS ST. ANDREWS

Ab Travis, left winger of the Victoria United soccer team, has left the club to join St. Andrews. It was learned this morning.

Travis has been at odds with the team since he threatened to quit two weeks ago after an argument regarding methods of choosing substitutes. However, at that time he had no intentions of quitting in favor of any other team.

Travis said this morning he thought he would be happier with St. Andrews.

## Fain Captures A.L. Bat Title

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP).—Ferry Roy Fain, left-handed batter for the sixth-place Philadelphia Athletics, was formally crowned 1951 American League batting king Sunday with 344—the finest mark of his career.

The surprising fourth-place Chicago White Sox took the team batting crown with 270. The 29-year-old Fain, a fancy-fielding first sacker, won by 18 points over Orestes Minoza, sensational rookie of the White Sox, who had 326 according to official statistics released by league headquarters.

Mei Shlars kept Heaney's from being whitewashed scoring their only goal at 19 minutes into the final half.

In Saturday's match Victoria West ran roughshod over the down-trodden Alcos 6-1. Victory was West's fourth straight in second-half play.

ALCOS LEAD Making their first start under a new coach and manager, Alcos managed to hold the greenshirts in check for the opening 30 minutes and even grabbed the lead on Jeff Wilkinson's goal.

But once the West offensive started to roll, the inevitable occurred, and if it hadn't been for a superlative performance by Doug Day between the posts for Alcos, the score might have reached double figures.

Lionel Speller and George Brown provided West with their 2-1 halftime edge. Speller got his second early in the final half. Len Scott notched the fourth counter and Bernie and Joe Clark finished up the scoring.

The scheduled match between Duncan and Legion was postponed.

## Harris Finds New Opponent

Nick Harris now has someone to wrestle with on the living-room floor. Saturday the local mat promoter became the proud father of bouncing baby boy. He has two daughters.

# Sawchuck Jinxes Habs

## Scores Seventh Shutout; Bruins Split With Leafs

Detroit Red Wings was the only National Hockey League club to pick up ground in week-end games. The league-leading Wings played a single, a 4-0 shutout over Montreal Canadiens Sunday night that gave goalkeeper Terry Sawchuk his seventh goose egg of the season.

Second-place Toronto Maple Leafs played a doubleheader with Boston Bruins, winning 3-2 at home Saturday and losing 4-2 to coach Lynn Patrick's surprisingly-strong Bruins at Beantown Sunday.

Canadiens also split. They walloped Chicago Black Hawks 5-1 at Montreal Saturday and then bumped into the hot Sawchuk. The Hawks dropped into last place Sunday as they were beaten 3-2 by the Rangers at New York.

Max Bentley led the week-end goal-scoring with four-two in each game.

BRUDA HONORED His double Saturday saved the evening for 12,472 Toronto fans who turned out to honor the veteran goalie, Turk Broda, given a night by Leaf officials. Max opened the scoring and, with the game tied 2-2 early in the third period, he pushed another past Sugar Jim Henry.

A crowd of 12,002 saw the Wings blank Canadiens. The victory boosted Detroit's lead to 11 points.

It was the seventh consecutive game Detroit has played Montreal this season without losing. They've whipped Dick Irvin's team six times and the other ended in a tie.

(Meyer, Richard) 3:05; 3. Chicago, Peter 2:36; 4. Montreal, Harvey (Reay) 10:29; 5. Montreal, McCormack (Gamble, Lowe) 14:46; Penalties: Johnson 8:12, Rodnar 14:46 (10-minute misconduct), Gee 18:24; Third Period—3. Montreal, Crawford (Harvey, Lach) 1:30. Penalty: Lowe 8:12.

CHICAGO 1, MONTREAL 3  
 First Period—1. Toronto, Bentley (MacNeil, 5:30; 2. Boston, Sullivan 10:11; 3. Boston, Esnick 16:32. Penalties: Morrison 10:06, Quackenbush 10:24; Goggin, 10:32 and 10:42; Stanley, 10:37.  
 Second Period—No scores. Penalties: Morrison 4:45, Krysanowski 4:48. Penalties: 8:41, Junda 8:41.  
 Third Period—4. Toronto, Watson (Thompson, Sullivan) 5:30; 5. Toronto, Bentley (Thompson) 8:41. No penalties.  
 Score—Henry, 12-30-37; Rollins, 3-13-4-17.  
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## BOXING DAY MATCH United To Experiment

Victoria United will show three new faces when the Coast League club meets Esquimalt of the Victoria and District League in an exhibition match at Athletic Park Boxing Day at 11.

Starting in goal will be Bill McAllister, a former member of United, while regular netminder Joe Travis drops to spare for the contest.

Berrie Clarkson, high-scoring winger of Victoria West in the city association, moves into Ab Travis' outside left slot and Jack Strachan of Navy replaces Joe Robbins at fullback. Robbins will be on duty in the fire department.

The experiment will also see Denny McGee and Jack Robbins exchange positions, McGee moving from his inside left position to left half and Robbins taking over the forward spot.

Stan Bob will switch positions with Cedric Robb as well, Robb moving inside with Bob going on the right flank.

Gordie Hayward, another new United acquisition, is listed as a reserve with Joe Travis.

Remainder of the club remains intact but several line-up changes may be tried during the game which is being played for the respective injured players' funds.

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 Returning to England, Dr. Lyall became a staff surgeon and then deputy inspector-general of naval hospitals and fleets. He retired in England in 1873.  
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## Golf Pros Shoot High

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Alec Main, left, past president Victoria Horticultural Society, enjoys some "plant talk" with E. H. Lohbrunner, recognized as outstanding authority on alpine plants in Pacific Northwest. (Times Photo).

## RARE PLANTS HIDE IN ALASKA WILDS

Victorian Offering Informative Course At Victoria College Evening Division

If you pick out rock plans with "two of the yellow and three of the blue, please," the man for you to see is Ed Lohbrunner.

He will advise that the one is "Allysum" and the other "Aubrie-tia"—both excellent but both slightly "overdone" in many Victoria gardens.

In fact this man who has roamed from Alaska to Northern California in search of rare flora and has a collection of thousands of alpine plants that "can't be matched on this continent," is ready to tell all for the benefit of homeowners who want to do their own landscaping.

He will give a series of 12 lectures for Victoria College Evening Division spring courses on the subject of "Landscaping Your Home." It will start Jan. 9.

Out at his home and nursery on Lohbrunner Road, the man of the same name today told of his plans for his course and reminisced a little on a three-month collecting trip to Alaska back in 1936.

### FREQUENT MISTAKE

"In planting shrubs a frequent mistake is to put in something that looks 'cute' instead of using a plant that will grow apart in the situation it is in," remarked Lohbrunner.

Some people plant a tree in their front garden without realizing that it will be on its way to forest growth in a comparatively short time.

"Aim of the course will be to familiarize people with suitable plantings, layout of gardens and selection of best plant material," said Lohbrunner.

Frequently people plant a garden full of shrubs and plants that all come to flower at the same time, making the landscape a riot of color for about two or three weeks, he said.

### COLOR FOR A YEAR

"We try to plant to give some color throughout the whole year."

"Where do you start? What do you do? How do you plant to make the most effective showing?" . . . these are queries to be answered in the course.

A person planning to landscape a new home has an entirely different problem to the one trying to rearrange the garden of an older house, according to Lohbrunner.

On collecting trips, while many lovely plants are located, the "real thrill to a rock gardener" is finding a rare species. That thrill is not foreign to Lohbrunner.

### NORTHERN DISCOVERIES

"Up north we found quite a number," he said.

They included the rare Eritichium aretioides from Ogilvie Mountains near the Alaska-Yukon boundary, located by Lohbrunner and his brother. Lohbrunner said the plant is impossible to grow in cultivation. The

trip was financed jointly by themselves and subscriptions from enthusiastic rock gardeners, who shared in the various collections.

Kew Gardens in England took a set of pressed plants. The Lohbrunners drifted down the Yukon River in a river boat for about 800 miles.

"If we saw anything likely, we pulled in and stayed for an hour or 10 or 12 days," he said.

A favored collection spot is in the vicinity of the Oregon Caves.

## Cereal Shortage Menaces World

ROME, Dec. 22 (AP).—The appeal of life in the cities, the better pay and hours of jobs in industry, and the needs for defense against aggression are threatening the world's breadbasket.

The sixth world conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations expressed "special anxiety" over the outlook for cereals—the staff of life for four-fifths of the world's population.

In a summary of the world cereal outlook, the conference reported an increasing movement of manpower from farming districts into the cities; transfer of farm workers to the steadily-expanding job possibilities of industry, and further loss of rural manpower to the requirements of defense.

The report said these trends "may have a serious impact on food production — particularly cereals."

The Food and Agriculture Organization experts said they expect a decline in cereal production within the next two years in North America and the South Pacific region—two of the

world's greatest growers of exportable cereal surplus. These experts said that despite hopeful higher production goals set in some countries, they could see no actual prospect of real gains.

The report said thus: "It could not ignore the danger of the recurrence of a world crisis in cereals on the scale of the early post-war years."

Of present "increase targets," the report said:

"For Europe, the Far East and Near East, an aggregate increase of 34,000,000 tons of grains, or nearly 10 per cent, is envisaged over the two years from 1950 to 1952. Current trends scarcely confirm this possibility.

"In Europe, the area under cereals as a whole is not increasing. In the Far East the trend is slowly upward. In the Near East the trend is more marked, but below the rate of increase needed."

## Potters Preparing Exhibits For Show In Hope Of Awards

Victoria's pottery-makers are preparing entries in the fourth annual show for British Columbia potters March 25 to April 12 in Vancouver.

The show is sponsored by the Art Gallery of the University of British Columbia and the Federation of Canadian Artists.

There will be two major classes of entry, one for professionals (non-competitive) and the second for amateurs, in which prizes will be awarded on the basis of the judge's evaluations.

Potters may obtain entry forms by writing to the Art Gallery, U.B.C., Vancouver, B.C.

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The air force said Sunday that while the majority are stationed at North Luffenham, England, with the 410 Cougar squadron, about 60 will be at McChord Field, Tacoma, Wash.; at Shemya, in the Aleutian Islands, and at Haneda airport near Tokyo, maintenance points for the 426 Thunderbird squadron's airlift to the Far East.

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# 'Victory Promised Us' Truman Tells Country

By WARREN DUFFEE  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Dec. 24 (UP).—President Truman sent his countrymen today this Christmas Eve message: "The victory we seek is the victory of

peace. That victory is promised to us."  
"We still have a long struggle ahead of us," the President said in a national broadcast address. Standing in his "old home" here, Mr. Truman pressed a gold-plated telegraph key. In so doing he transmitted across half a continent electrical impulses which caused the capital's community Christmas tree, in the

south grounds of the White House, suddenly to blaze in a myriad of festival colors.  
Though the occasion was a festive one to the throngs watching the play of colors in Washington, to the President, home briefly for Christmas, it also was an occasion of sorrow.

"Our hearts are saddened on this Christmas Eve," he said, "by the suffering and the sacrifice of our brave men and women in Korea. We miss our boys and girls who are off there."  
But there was pride as well as sorrow in the President's mood. Of those in far Korea he said:

## PRAY FOR SUCCESS

"They are trying to prevent another world war. We honor them for the great job they are doing. We pray to the Prince of Peace for their success and safety."

The President and his daughter, Margaret, flew here earlier today to spend the holidays with Mrs. Truman, who preceded them.

In his message to the nation, he acknowledged that on this eve of Christ's birth anniversary "the world is distracted by doubt and despair, torn by anger, envy and ill will."

"But," he said, "our lesson should still be that same message of love symbolized by the birth of the Redeemer of the world . . ."

"We still have a long struggle ahead of us before we can reach our goal of peace," he continued. "In the words of the Bible, the day is not yet here when the bow shall be broken, and the lance cut off, and the chariot burned. But we have faith that that day will come . . . Let us try to do all things in that spirit of brotherly love that was revealed to mankind at Bethlehem on the first Christmas Day."

"The victory we seek is the victory of peace. That victory is promised to us. It was promised to us long ago, in the words of the angel choir that sang over Bethlehem: 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.'"

The President said he was reminded of Christmas, 1941, just after Pearl Harbor. And he conceded frankly that "the world is still in danger tonight."

"But," he said, "a great change has come about. A new spirit has been born . . . The struggle we are making today has a new and hopeful meaning."



'... And A Bottle Of Rum'

Felled by a shot from the pistol of Blackbeard, the Pirate, Louis Jourdan is tended by Herbert Marshall and Jean Peters, in this scene from "Anne of the Indies," starting today at the Odeon Theatre. Filmed by Twentieth Century-Fox in color by Technicolor, "Anne of the Indies" recounts the adventures of the woman buccaner, Captain Providence. Debra Paget co-stars with Peters and Jourdan in the George Jessel production.

## Y.M.C.A. Reviving So-Ed Club

The Y.M.C.A. is reviving its formerly successful So-Ed Club. So-Ed is a social-education group which means a combination of social, cultural and educational activities focused on the needs and desires of the young people of today.

The program is open to anybody. The Y.M.C.A. is hunting the best lecturers and instructors for the series.

Among some of the activities open to members are bridge courses, bridge clubs, and, for women, charm schools, with educational movies and lectures.

## Claxton Sends Yule Message To Servicemen

OTTAWA, Dec. 24 (BUP).—Hope that 1952 will bring the world nearer to freedom and security was expressed by Defense Minister Brooke Claxton in a message to members of the armed forces Sunday night.

The Christmas message, sent to military and civilian personnel under defense department direction at home and abroad, said:

"Christmas, 1951, finds our Canadian forces spread from Korea to the continent of Europe. These overseas forces represent part of Canada's contribution to the United Nations and the North Atlantic treaty organization and indicate Canada's determination to play her part in meeting aggression, in partnership with her democratic allies."

"All of us at home have been called upon to increase our efforts in building up expanding defense establishments and providing reinforcements for our overseas units. The wholehearted support and co-operation of all services has been most gratifying and I know we shall continue working as a team toward the common goal."

## KEEPING THEM BUSY

# Cost Of Baby-Sitting Soars As Demand Great

By GORDON FORBES

The "little girl down the street" is the most sought-after person in the neighborhood today.

The reason, of course, is that these young ladies' services are much in demand as baby sitters. And in this baby care business the old law of supply and demand applies just as readily as in the country's multi-million dollar enterprises. The supply is short so the price goes up.

That is the situation in Victoria right now. Regular prices of 35 cents an hour before midnight have skyrocketed to \$5 for Christmas evening and night and the same for New Year's Eve evening and night.

Some desperate parents, who left it too late to hire a baby sitter, are willing to double that fee.

One organized baby sitting service only charges the \$5 fee for the New Year's date, sticking to regular rates for Christmas. But another group of sitters is demanding \$5 for each of the big nights.

There is no such thing as an hourly rate on New Year's Eve. It's \$5—take it or leave it. Many parents possessing foresight hired a sitter as early as last New Year's Eve. They got one that night, and weren't taking any chances on being stuck this New Year's Eve.

Organized baby-sitting services frown slightly on the "amateurs." They point out that often the casual baby sitter is not qualified.

Regardless though, the little girl down the street is still the objective of hundreds of parents desiring a night out.

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# Father Satisfied Test Message, Rapped Out On Table, Came From Son Killed In Air War

This is the fifth of a series by Reporter Ron Baird in which he is examining psychic phenomena and the studies and experiments of spiritualists in Victoria.

By RON BAIRD

This is an example of psychic research made to prove conclusively the existence of communication with the spirit world.

The test was made in an Esquimalt home about five weeks ago by six persons—three of whom are professional men well known in Victoria.

These are the circumstances surrounding the test: One member of the group wished to establish contact with his son, killed overseas in the last war while serving as a flying officer with the R.C.A.F.'s Thunderbird Squadron. But to prove that there could be no possible chance of faking the contact, the father devised a simple test.

While in England with the air force, his son spent some weeks at Oxford University working on scientific research. The holder of degrees at both the University of Alberta and McGill University, the air force officer worked in collaboration with two scientists—a woman and a man. Before the publication of their completed work, the airman was killed on a mission with the R.C.A.F. The booklet was sent to his parents in Victoria two years ago.

Because it reminded them of their son and for reasons of emotion, they declined to read it.

They did, however, glance hurriedly at the page on which his name was acknowledged. The flier's mother noted that his middle initial was printed wrongly and made a hasty pencilled correction.

On the night on which the group met, the dead flier's father placed the book on his mantle-piece, locked the house up and left it unattended to go to Esquimalt.

The group sat around a small table and "contact" was made with the flier. No one in that room, outside of the parents and a brother, knew that the deceased son had worked in collaboration on the booklet.

The father made known to his son that this was a test and received the answer by table rappings that it was agreeable. He asked if the son could take a look at the book—eight miles away at home—and give them the name of a key word in the title.

"Back came the answer in 10 seconds," said the father, "the word was penicillin."

He then asked his son to give the group the number of the page on which was written the acknowledgement list of those who had contributed to the booklet.

The group heard the table rap 11 times within five seconds. Then the son was asked if he could tell the group if his initials were on the acknowledgement page. His answer returned within seconds. He said the initials (the correct ones were H. S. W.) had been incorrectly written "H. R. W."

The son was again asked the nickname of one of two professors—he replied "Tiny." This was correct.

The group then concluded the test and the parents went home to see what was written in the book.

The booklet title was "The Structure of Penicillin." The acknowledgement of those who had written the book were on page 11.

The middle initial had been printed as a "W" but the pencilled correction of "S" over the printed "W" looked like the letter "R."

Every question asked during the sitting had been correctly answered—no one in the group had ever read the book before.

## TOPICS OF THE TIMES

Peter Ingils, former Victoria Times reporter who is special correspondent for Southam Press now, will accompany Defence Minister Brook Claxton on a visit to Japan and Korea this week. The minister will spend New Year's Day with the Canadian armed forces in Korea.

Motorist David A. Marsten, 2133 Burnside, was fined \$250 in Esquimalt police court Saturday for impaired driving. He was involved in a Friday night collision with a car driven by W. Savage, Atkins Road.

William L. Ostler, justice of the peace, presided over city police court today in the absence of Magistrates H. C. Hall and A. L. Thomas. He had several "drunks" to deal with, a theft charge and a careless driving offense.

Capt. A. McGillivray, 639 Foul Bay Road, is en route home by air from the Korean battlefield to be with his family for Christmas. The Victoria Times learned today.

Two planes are reported to be on the way back transporting Canuck soldiers home.

A fine of \$30 was imposed against Brian W. Leonard, Fairbridge Farm School, Duncan, in city police court today for careless driving.

William Ostler, J.P., imposed the fine after hearing that accused had "jumped" a stop sign at Montreal-Superior recently and became involved in a collision.

City Council will hold its final meeting of 1951 Monday, to consist mainly of a valedictory to Mayor Percy George, who will retire after seven years as chief magistrate, and to Ald. Millard Mooney, who was narrowly defeated for reelection to the council Dec. 13.

The 1952 edition of "Traffic Rules," published by the police departments of Greater Victoria each year, is off the press.

The booklet, to be distributed to children of all the schools, is a good source of information to guide both motorists and pedestrians, young and old, on traffic regulations. If there are any left over after the school distribution they will be made available to the general public.

### 'Y' Will Entertain Homeless In City

Lonely? No place to go on Christmas Eve? Then why not spend it at the Y.M.C.A.

Directors of the "Y" have prepared a full evening of entertainment for persons "on the loose," which will start at 8 with an hour of movies.

"Live" entertainment will follow, including piano solos by various local artists and singing.

Refreshments will be served and the evening's entertainment will windup with group carol singing.

### Family Here Told Soldier War Prisoner

Word that a missing Seattle soldier is among those reported safe in Korea had its repercussions in a Victoria home this week.

Thomas Liddell, 2552 Thompson, foreman of the composing room at the King's Printer, is an uncle of the prisoner, Sgt. Frederick Liddell, who was captured last May 18.

The soldier is the son of Frederick M. Liddell, Thomas' brother, who grew up in Victoria. He went to the old Spring Ridge School and George Jay School. He was well-known in sporting circles, playing football and baseball. He went overseas with the Royal Canadian Artillery in the First World War.

"I phoned Fred last night and was 'he ever happy,'" Thomas Liddell said today.

The prisoner's wife, and an infant child he has not yet seen, live in Portland. Liddell had served three years in Japan, returned home, re-enlisted and went overseas again in August, 1950.

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Tug Company Party One Of Many 'Bright Spots' For Children

Typical of many Christmas parties which have been held for the children of Greater Victoria the past week was a gay, colorful fest staged at the Club Sirocco Sunday by

Harold Elworthy for the families of his Island Tug & Barge Co. employees. Kiddies are shown after Santa had paid a visit with gifts for all. There were refreshments and enter-

tainment for adults as well as young folk. Party is to be held annually. There were between 300 and 350 children and adults present. (Times photo by Bill Halkett)

## Liquor Stores Handle Queues

The annual cry for another liquor store in Victoria was raised again today as Victorians bent on imbibing lined up three deep at the three government refreshment establishments.

Both city stores and the Esquimalt store reported line-ups had formed before opening time. A Humboldt Street store official said there was a queue right around to Douglas Street 30 minutes after opening time.

By shopping for their spirits earlier, of course, everyone could have avoided waiting in line. But that just isn't human nature.

The cries for the need of another liquor store became louder when snow started to fall on the shivering queues.

All stores hired extra help for the festive season, but the rush was so great it was still a time-consuming task to buy a "bottle of fun."

Policemen were stationed out-

side the two city stores to direct traffic. Their main job was to keep traffic moving because impatient purchasers endeavored to double park in the area.

### DOUBLE SHIFTS

### Post Office Stays Ahead Of Yule Mail

By MONTY ROBERTS

If Aunt Minnie's Christmas parcel hasn't arrived yet, don't despair and, above all, don't blame Santa's Little Helpers (Victoria Post Office division).

Chances are Uncle Charlie forgot to mail it, or else Aunt Minnie hadn't finished wrapping it in time to make the deadline for assured Christmas delivery. According to Postmaster J. B. Sinclair, all Christmas mail posted before the deadlines advertised in cities across Canada will reach Victoria homes on time.

"We are well on top of the situation," he reported today. "Some of our extra-Christmas help has been laid off, and our regular sorting staff has matters well in hand. Right now we are trying to give all assistance possible to the letter carriers, especially those with heavy routes."

"All carriers have at least one helper assigned them. In some cases, we have transferred extra Christmas help from sorting to helping letter carriers."

The postmaster himself has a clear conscience. He mailed his Christmas cards "in good time." Better check your inside coat pocket and see if you did the same.

### BANDIT CAR DESCRIBED

City police have a good description of the getaway car in the \$300 robbery of McBratney's Hillside Confectionery last Wednesday.

The car was seen by a passerby parked a short distance from the store while two gun-wielding bandits were robbing McBratney. Motor of the empty sedan was left running.

Police say the car was 1936-37 large model, dark in color. The body is "rough looking."

### 'Y' Caravan Heads South During June

California, here we come!

The Y.M.C.A. has just completed the final plans for their annual international educational bus tour for 1952. Approximately 35 from Victoria will leave June 14 and proceed to Portland, Oregon. There they meet two other buses from Seattle and Vancouver, and then head south toward their final destination, Yellowstone National Park.

On June 16, the tour will proceed to Lava Beds National Monument and to Reno, Nevada for a 24-hour stay. From Reno, they will go to Carson City and Lake Tahoe. Twin Falls, Idaho, will be the next stopping place before the travellers proceed to the Crater of the Moon National Monument. By the end of the following day the tour will reach Yellowstone.

Before starting back, the tri-city tourists will spend almost three days in the vast park. Main points of interest on the return trip will be Grand Coulee Dam, back in B.C., Manning Park on the Hope-Princeton Highway.

The party will camp out at nights and cook their own breakfasts in the morning. Arrangements for dinner facilities have already been made with restaurants along the bus route.

### CASE DROPPED, NOT ENDED

### Seaman On \$1,500 Bail Charged With Theft

This English seaman really had a "rum go."

Victor T. Clifford, 28, from Durban, Eng., appeared before Justice of the Peace William Ostler in city police court today, and was remanded to Thursday without plea on a charge of stealing 24 bottles of rum, the property of the Liquor Control Board.

A crew member of the English ship Langleague, his bail was set at \$1,500.

According to the police report, Thomas Roberts, 234 Oswego, and George N. Adlington, 268 Ontario, watchmen for the C.N.R. at Orden Point docks, say a man carrying a case of rum at 3:15 Sunday morning from the bonded warehouse at the docks.

When they approached the man, he dropped the case of rum and hid. Police said no bottles were broken.

### Christmas Messages From Korea

Some relatives will hear broadcast messages from Canada's fighting sons on the Korean front tonight.

The messages will come from 19 or 20 soldiers of most outfits through special arrangements by CBC's reporter Norman McElin. Names of the soldiers have been withheld for security reasons.

### Lost String Of Pearls Worth \$750

A string of 79 pearls worth \$750, was lost by Mrs. Anne Paul, 763 Harding Avenue, Nanaimo, Sunday afternoon somewhere between the Douglas Hotel and the Union Club, city police report.

### LESSONS FOR FISHERMEN

### Navigation Courses Set To Aid B.C. Coast Seamen

B.C. fishermen will have an opportunity to brush up on navigation this winter.

Starting the second week in January the Fisheries Co-operative Service of the University of B.C. will start a series of short courses on fundamentals of navigation designed to enable fishermen to operate more efficiently and in greater safety.

The series will get under way in the Queen Charlotte Islands. Courses are already set for Skidegate and Masset. A third course will be given at Pender Harbor. The course, to run one week, will consist of ten two-hour lectures.

Under review will be rules of the road, compass and chart work, ship track and position fixing. There will be some instruction, too, on new radio aids. Captain James F. Patrick, former examiner of masters and mates on this coast, will be instructor. Registration fee for fishermen is \$5.

### NOTICE ALL VETERANS

### Time For V.L.A. Loans Is Running Short!

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## Contract Let For Big Block

Vancouver Firm's \$1,750,000 Tender Earns Naval Contract

Commonwealth Construction Co. Ltd., Vancouver, has been awarded the contract for the construction of a \$1,750,000 naval barrack block at H.M.C.S. Naden, it was learned from an official of that company today.

The block will be of reinforced concrete and will be erected facing Admirals Road, to the left of Naden's main gate.

There is a rocky hill on the site at present.

It is estimated 17,000 yards of rock will have to be blasted and moved before actual construction can start. Removal of the rock will begin early in the new year and will take about two and a half months.

The building is expected to take about 18 months to complete.

The new block was designed by the Victoria architectural firm of Birley, Wade and Stockdill.

### NEW RED CROSS BLOCK STARTED

Contract for extensions to the Fort Street headquarters of the Canadian Red Cross Society has been awarded to Farmer Construction Ltd. at a \$28,000 figure. It was learned today.

Ten local contracting firms submitted tenders. Plans and specifications were prepared by James Polson and Siddall. The new one-story building, which will greatly increase the Red Cross blood bank facilities here, will be of pumice block construction, creating an additional 3,000 square feet of space.

The contractor has started work on the site and expects to complete the work within four months.

## WHO'S HERE

By R. E. PORTER

Looking for absolute peace and quiet this Christmas? Try Salesmen's Alley at the Empress. The long corridor in the new wing where you'll usually find manufacturer's men from all across Canada is empty today—the quietest it's been in four years.

"It's lonesome here," says Agnes, the maid. "I sure miss the hustle and bustle."

The rest of the Empress, though, is gently simmering with pre-Christmas activity. Over the week-end close to 500 guests from as far east as New York and Quebec, and as far south as California, moved in for the traditional Empress Christmas.

Guests who are here for an old-fashioned English Christmas are registered from New York, New Jersey, California, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, in addition to upland and B.C. mainland points.

Strathcona Hotel also reports exceptionally heavy Christmas reservations, mainly from the Pacific Northwest.

### WORLD INSPIRED

### Christmas Spirit Hope For Peace

A Christmas message to the people of British Columbia came today from Lieutenant-Governor Clarence Wallace:

"If we were to fancy a wholly Christianized world, it would be a world inspired by the spirit of Christmas—a bright, friendly, beneficent, generous, sympathetic, mutually helpful world."

"It is my earnest belief that as long as we are able to celebrate Christmas in its true spirit there is hope for a Christianized world—lasting peace, good will toward men."

"I welcome this opportunity to send Christmas greetings to every British Columbian and best wishes for a peaceful, happy and prosperous New Year."

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## SHOPPING GUIDE

## Here It Is Christmas Eve Again—Best Wishes To All

By PENNY SAVER

Oh! The excitement! Joy seems to be escaping all over the place. You feel it as you board the crowded buses, as you mingle with the people scurrying here and there doing their last-minute Christmas shopping. No matter where you turn, you can't escape the fact that it is Christmas Eve.

At no other time during the year are the people as friendly. It is tragic really, to think that everyone can be so pleasant to each other during this season and forget it so soon.

But, nevertheless, they are, and you enjoy it while it lasts. The children excitedly chatter with each other and of course their conversation hinges on the most important man of the year, Mr. Santa Claus.

They try to guess what he will leave for them. They think of nice things to leave for him to eat when he comes to their house. They wonder, too, what he will bring for their mummy and daddy.

Christmas to the children is not just what they will get from Santa Claus, but what he will leave for their parents and brothers and sisters.

Despite all their excitement and curiosity they don't forget that they are not the only ones that Santa remembers at Christmas. It is a festive time for all.

Tomorrow will be another Christmas Day. It will mean the excitement of opening presents, the pleasure of eating a delicious turkey dinner and a chance to visit your friends. I hope that it will be a joyous day for you. Merry Christmas everyone!

## Welcome Room Committee Entertained At Gay Tea

Good companionship and a festive Yuletide setting made a memorable and happy afternoon for the 60 lonely women entertained by the Welcome Room committee, Saturday at Christ Church Cathedral Memorial Hall.

It was the committee's first Christmas tea and also the only holiday entertainment many of the women would have, so everyone entered joyously and with enthusiasm in the program which included the singing of favorite old carols before, during and after the sumptuous tea, served at small tables decorated with frosted trees, flowers and holly.



by Anne Adams

## Half-Size Fashion

For shorter women—your own fashion designed just for you! No alteration worries, just cut out your size. The design is flattery itself, with softness at shoulders, scalloped neckline and the loveliest new skirt with pockets in the side panels!

Pattern 4698 in half sizes 14½, 16½, 18½, 20½, 22½, 24½. Size 16½ takes 3½ yards 39-inch. This pattern easy to use, simple to sew, is tested for fit. Has complete illustrated instructions.

Send 35 cents in coins (stamps cannot be accepted) for this pattern. Print plainly size, name, address, style number.

Send order to Anne Adams, care of The Times, Pattern Dept., 60 Front St. W., Toronto 1-A, Ont.



by Alice Brooks

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They grow to fit a child's growing feet! Snaps do the trick. Sizes 4, 7 and 10. Each adjusts to the two next larger sizes. Easy to sew—one piece each!

Pattern 7366: transfer pattern, sizes small 4, 5, 6; medium 7, 8, 9; large 10, 11, 12. In one pattern. Send 25 cents in coins for this pattern (stamps cannot be accepted) to The Times, Household Arts Dept., 60 Front St. W., Toronto 1-A, Ont. Print plainly name, address, pattern number.

Handicraft ideas a-plenty in our Alice Brooks Needlework catalogue. Send 25 cents for your copy today! Illustrations of patterns for crochet, knitting, embroidery, and other fascinating handwork. A Free Pattern is printed in the book.

## Casual Clothes For Christmas



An invitation to television hours and fireside chats... what could be smarter than Greta Platty's lounging fashion? A white wool flannel skirt lavishly with its Schiffl embroidery in fiery red checker board pattern tops the slim black velvet pants.

Smartly casual... A Kane Weill original of chiffon worsted ombre plaid in brown or grey. A little go-everywhere dress designed to take you anywhere from classes and campus activities to special dates. Fringed ends lend a new touch to the cuffs, wide, spread collars and bodice front.

## Purple Star Lodge Holds An Installation And Yule Party

Mrs. Grace Jennings was installed as Worthy Mistress of Victoria Purple Star Lodge No. 104, L.O.B.A., with the installing officer Mrs. F. Noel, Deputy Grand Mistress, assisted by grand lodge officers Mrs. E. Doane, Miss I. Burt, Mrs. E. Hume, Mrs. M. Hunter, also Mrs. A. Saunders and Mrs. V. Elwood, worthy mistress and past mistress of Britannia Lodge No. 216.

Other officers installed were: Miss M. Dent, deputy mistress; Mrs. E. Bonfield, recording secretary; Mrs. M. Greb, financial secretary; Mrs. E. J. Headdy, treasurer; Mrs. E. King, junior deputy; Miss M. Noel, chaplain; Mrs. H. Anderson, guardian; Miss B. Noel, director of ceremonies; Miss L. Browning, lecturer; Mrs. G. Davies, deputy lecturer; Mrs. O. McKay, pianist; Mrs. L. Lucas, inside guard; Mrs. D. Dawson, outside guard; Mesdames H. Dent, E. Bell, G. Gunn and M. Joyce, committee; Mesdames V. Keatley, I. Burt and E. Hume, auditors; Mrs. Hume, tea captain; Miss Noel, press.

Mrs. Jennings read and presented an address to the retiring mistress, Miss I. Noel, and her mother pinned the past mistress' jewel on her. Miss B. Noel sang "Bless This House." Lapel pins were awarded by Miss Noel to Mrs. H. Stevenson, Mrs. E. Bonfield and Mrs. H. Anderson, marking 25 years in the order. Christmas donations were made to Loyal Protestant Home for Children in New Westminster.

## Nursing Home Group Names 1952 Officers

The December meeting of the Victoria Nursing Home Auxiliary was held at the home of Alderman Margaret Christie when Mrs. C. C. Warren and Mrs. K. Simpson were re-elected president and first vice-president by acclamation; treasurer, Mrs. R. G. Aitken; recording secretary, Miss Margaret McIntosh; corresponding, Mrs. J. L. Gayton. Directors for two-year term are Mrs. G. Harwood and Mrs. C. Coleman, one-year term Mrs. S. Naysmith and Mrs. Austin Curtis. Christmas parcels were packed for each patient at the Home. The annual dinner and installation of officers will take place at Loughheed's Banquet Room on January 16.

## Yuletide Nuptial Service In Oak Bay United Church

Colored lights from two Christmas trees on either side of the choir loft softly illuminated Oak Bay United Church, Saturday evening, when Kathryn Anne Murphy became the bride of Philip Brodie Strike.

Rev. W. W. McPherson read the nuptial service uniting the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Murphy, Topp Avenue, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Strike, Vancouver, in an attractive setting of white chrysanthemums, holly and cedar boughs.

T. F. Beresford rendered traditional organ music and during the signing of the register Mrs. L. Goult sang Edward Grieg's "I Love Thee."

Mr. Murphy gave his daughter in marriage.

The lovely bride designed her own gown of heavy brocade ivory tulle. Classically styled, it featured a fitted bodice with off-shoulder neckline and dainty halter straps. Her matching jacket was accented with self-covered buttons from the tiny pointed collar to the waistline. Long sleeves were tapered over her hands. Sweeping slightly en train was the skirt which was fashioned with fullness at back and emphasized with a pousse.

A coronet of brocade faille held a cascading silk net veil embroidered in satin, and she carried her Irish great-grandmother's white Bible topped with white orchids, stephanotis and white streamer ribbons.

As the bride's only attendant, Miss Beryl Blandy chose a Christmas-red velvet gown with fitted bodice and deep shawl collar. Gathered at the waist was the very full skirt. She wore matching mitts and bandeau and carried a large colonial bouquet of white chrysanthemums backed with silver lace and white ribbon.

Best man was Peter Bentley, Vancouver, and ushers were Maurice Murphy, brother of the

bride, and Bill Holme, also of Vancouver.

At a reception that followed at the home of the bride's parents, guests were received before the fireplace decorated with silver ornaments and white chrysanthemums and flanked by a white Christmas tree. Silver candelabra with white candles stood on the bride's table. Covered with a white Madeira cloth, it was centred with a three-tier cake in white angel-hair with sprigs of holly and silver balls.

From Vancouver came Dr. C. Roy Elsey, a friend of both families, to propose the toast.

Mr. and Mrs. Strike are motoring south on a honeymoon trip prior to making their home in Port Mellon, B.C.

For traveling, the bride wore a winter-white knitted dress topped with a grey English wool coat. Dark red accessories and a white orchid corsage complemented her ensemble.

## Holiday Party

Regular meeting of Sir Matthew Ballie Begbie Chapter, I.O.E., took the form of a Christmas party at headquarters. Some guests were also present and members brought gifts which were distributed, every one receiving a gift. The drawing for the hand-painted figurine, which was donated by the regent, Mrs. H. D. Parizeau, took place, little Christopher Ricketts doing the drawing. The lucky ticket was held by Miss Murphy. Mrs. E. Dakers and Mrs. J. E. Flack acted as hostesses for the party.

## Christmas Meeting

Mrs. E. A. Whitehouse conducted devotions at the meeting of the Women's Missionary So-

ciety of the Metropolitan United Church with "Christmas" as the theme. Carols were sung by Mrs. F. Goodwin, accompanied by Mrs. J. Gough; Mrs. J. Jones read a short sketch from Charles Dickens; Mrs. Paul sang two solos, accompanied by Mrs. Harman. A pleasant feature of the afternoon was the travelogue given by Mrs. W. A. Trenholme illustrated by colored slides. Her young son assisted. Tea was served to a large group.

## A Christmas Party

Oak Bay Catholic Women's League held a Christmas party recently for 65 children in the new parish hall. Motion pictures suitable for children up to 10 years of age were shown. Mrs. E. Belton, assisted by Mesdames H. Spohn, N. Daggett and J. O'Connor, decorated the large Christmas tree from which gifts and novelties were distributed.

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## A Christmas Message

Christmas started early for Dr. and Mrs. E. L. McNiven, Falkland Road, when they received a telephone call yesterday from their two daughters, Dorothy and Betty, who are spending the Christmas season with Mrs. William Jones in Hamilton, Ont.

Miss Dorothy McNiven is a dental assistant in Toronto, and her sister is in training at the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto.

## A Holiday Tea

Miss Katharine Goodland was hostess at a tea yesterday afternoon in the Cadboro Bay Road home of her parents, in honor of her guest, Miss Patricia Johnson.

Miss Carol Wootton and Miss Marion Dods presided at the attractively decorated refreshment table. Serviteurs were Misses Rosemary Farmer, Virginia Dalby, Margaret Hinkle and Mary Stevenson.

Guests were Misses Linnea Newton, Marian Jones, Maureen McKenzie, Carol Pauline, Kathleen Thornberry, Elizabeth Oliver, Madge Pendray, Margaret Usher, Dalia Qualton, Isabel Henley, Diana Parker, Maureen Bromley, Annette Cabeldu, Patricia Goddard, Sylvia Southin, Angela Dick, Marian Gibbs, Betsy Gilmore, Diane Finland, June Milburn, Joan Biddle, Margot Young, Barbara Rose, Beverly Carter, Margaret Molson, Margaret Nixon, Daria McLennan, Irene Smith, Nora Mayne, and Darlene Brinkworth.

## The Holiday Party Parade

Mayor-elect Claude L. Harrison and Mrs. Harrison entertained at a late-afternoon party on Sunday at their home on Beach Drive. Their guests were aldermen and police commissioners of the 1952 council and their wives.

Presiding at the refreshment table which was attractively centred with an arrangement of holly sprigs and lighted red candles were Mrs. Brent Murdoch and Mrs. Don Smith. Mrs. D. L. McDonnell assisted the hostess with her guests.

Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Hunter entertained at their Linden Avenue home on Saturday afternoon at a tea to honor Mayor Percy E. George and Mrs. George. Guests were the aldermen and their wives.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Damaske, Cooke Street, will entertain at a cocktail party on Boxing Day prior to the Solarium Junior League Snow Ball Cabaret at the Empress Hotel. Guests will include Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Barry, Mr. and Mrs. Graham McColl, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Scott, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Stevenson and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Stevenson.

Next Friday morning, Mrs. Alvin Gonnason will be a hostess at a coffee party at her home on Beach Drive, to honor Mrs. R. B. Ross, a visitor in the city for the Christmas season from London, Ont.

On Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. E. Child will give a late afternoon party at their home on Monterey Avenue and on Sunday, Mrs. Sherwood Marshall will be a tea-hour hostess to friends at Oak Bay Beach Hotel.

On New Year's Eve, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jocas will give a formal New Year's Eve party at "Villa Louise," their home on Reynolds Road. There will be 80 guests.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Leeming were hosts at a coffee party at their home on Marlborough Road, last Saturday afternoon.

## Visitors For The Holiday

The yuletide season is always a time when families gather from far and near. Victoria is awash with family visitors for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl S. Gonnason, Dallas Road, have their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Goddard, of Martinez, Calif., as their holiday guests. Mrs. Goddard is the former Miss Joan Gonnason.

Mr. Byron Johnson Jr., has come from Vancouver to be with his parents, Premier and Mrs. Johnson, Beach Drive.

Mrs. E. L. Pottinger, Vancouver, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Crombie, Uplands Road, for the Christmas holidays. Dr. and Mrs. M. Pottinger, Vancouver, with their children, Susan and Diana, will arrive on Dec. 27, and will also be their guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jessiman, and their two children, Lee and Douglas, Vancouver, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Jessiman's brother-in-law and sister, Dr. and Mrs. Hewitt, Beach Drive.

Mr. Murray Martindale, who is attending the University of British Columbia, is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Martindale, Park Crest Apartments.

Mrs. T. W. Martindale, Cedar Nanaimo, is with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Harvey, Sylvia Lane.

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## OF PERSONAL INTEREST

Mr. Chris Medrich has returned to his home on Herald Street, following a holiday in California.

Mrs. H. Norris left this morning for Portland where she will spend Christmas and New Year with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. S. Rasmussen.

Mrs. William Ellis will be hostess to a party of nine for Christmas dinner at Oak Bay Beach Hotel. Among her guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Ellis, John and Robert Ellis, Mrs. H. MacLachlan, Mrs. H. G. Ellis, Miss E. Barnes and Mr. Roger Kemble of Scarborough, England.

Mrs. Fred Nash, the former Miss Ann Miller, director of elementary correspondence school, Department of Education, was honored at a luncheon recently by members of her staff. She was presented with a corsage of red roses and branksome china. Miss Ruth Lidgate, a member of the staff who is joining the Wrens, was presented with a gold ring with the navy crest.

Out-of-town guests at the wedding of Miss Helen Joan Auchinvoile and Mr. Kenneth Sidney Hurn, Saturday evening, were Mr. and Mrs. W. Auchinvoile and Heather, Mr. and Mrs. P. Reid and Mrs. H. Glover and Winanne, all of Union Bay; Mr. and Mrs. R. Latham, Menlo Park, Calif.; Mrs. M. Maclean and Mrs. A. Stolby and Susan, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. A. Holland, Nanaimo; and Mr. and Mrs. R. Strachan, North Vancouver.

Honoring Miss Marion Lawrence whose marriage takes place next week to John Dobbie, her fellow employees of the provincial government purchasing commission gave a linen shower at the home of Mrs. J. F. Newmon on Henderson Road. The honored guest was presented with a corsage of yellow mums and her mother, Mrs. G. Lawrence, with mauve mums. Among those invited were Misses A. Clarke, E. Hall, I. Haim, J. Smith, T. Irving, L. Nuttall, P. Fulton, P. Pendray, E. Cawsey, J. French, R. Purser, M. Mills, B. Hudson and Mesdames E. Wilson, F. Petterson, G. Bond, M. Yerburgh.

Among out-of-town guests at the Saturday evening wedding of Kathryn Anne Murphy and Philip Brodie Stike were the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Strike, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hayward. Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell and their two children, Dr. and Mrs. C. Roy Elsey, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kule, Dr. and Mrs. Ed Hall, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Ewert, Miss Sheila McGiverin, Mr. and Mrs. Don Glover, Professor and Mrs. E. D. McPhee and Messrs. Peter Bentley and Bill Home, all of Vancouver. Guests from Nanaimo were Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Marriner, Miss Eileen Yoxall and Mr. Don Cunliffe.



Yuletide House Guest

Miss Katharine Goodland, right, daughter of Col. and Mrs. H. T. Goodland, Cadboro Bay Road, has Miss Patricia Johnson as her guests for the holidays and they are excitedly preparing for Christmas Day. Miss Johnson is attending the University of British Columbia and will return to her studies early in the new year.

TO ALL

FROM THE MANAGEMENT AND STAFF

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## Mally Page Wed Saturday Evening In St. Mary's

Archdeacon A. E. de L. Nunn solemnized the nuptial service on Saturday evening in the chapel of St. Mary's Church uniting Marion Patricia (Mally) Page and Laurence Allan Wright.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Page, 2340 Howard Street, and the groom, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wright, 915 Metchoin Street.

Given in marriage by her father, the dark-haired bride chose a navy wool suit, styled on dressmaker lines, with matching shoes. A white blouse and white feather hat contrasted her ensemble. She selected camellias and violets en corsage for her flower.

A beige suit fashioned with pleated back was the choice of the bride's only attendant, Miss Vivian Anastasiou. Wine access-

ories and a corsage of red roses completed her outfit.

John Mitchell acted as best man and William Wright, brother of the groom, ushered.

The young couple, assisted by

their parents, received guests at a reception that followed in Terry's Rose Room. Mrs. E. Ard, a friend of long standing, made the two-tier wedding cake which centred the bride's table.

W. E. Cottingham proposed the toast to his goddaughter and Mrs. N. Bertucci was at the piano for dancing.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright will make their home in Benjamin Apartments, Duchess Street.

## Loyal Group Re-Elects President

Mrs. E. B. Humphries was re-elected president when the Loyal Group of Metropolitan United Church met recently at the home of Mrs. George Reid, Pakington Street.

Other officers are Mrs. Reid, vice-president; Mrs. Mark Lindsay, secretary, and Mrs. J. T. Taylor, treasurer.

Special guests at the meeting were Dr. A. E. Whitehouse and Mrs. Whitehouse. Mrs. Lindsay gave a talk on her recent visit in the east, and it was decided the next meeting would be at Mrs. Humphries' home, 135 Linden Avenue.

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## Joan Auchinvoile And Kenneth Hurn Principals In Christmas Wedding

A color theme of red and white was predominate at the wedding Saturday evening of Helen Joan Auchinvoile and Kenneth Sidney Hurn in Oak Bay United Church. Rev. W. W. McPherson officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. F. Auchinvoile, St. David Street, and the groom is the son of Mr. H. S. Hurn, Linden Avenue, and Mrs. Helen Hurn.

Standard baskets of white chrysanthemums and two Christmas trees decorated the church for the doubling candlelight service. Guest pews were marked with holly and white bows.

Mr. Beresford played traditional wedding music as the bride walked up the aisle on the arm of her brother, Bruce Auchinvoile.

A white brocade jacket topped the strapless white brocade bodice. The bouffant net skirt fell in graceful folds over a crinoline. The jacket was styled with lily-point sleeves, stand-up collar and small covered buttons extended down the front to the pointed waistline. A small, rolled brim, brocade cloche hat held the chapel veil of illusion net which was designed and made by the bride's mother. She carried a white Bible topped with red roses and white heather.

Miss Margot Auchinvoile, Union Bay, cousin of the bride, and Miss Peggy McAllister, Vancouver, were gowned alike in Christmas red taffeta with net skirts and red net stoles. They wore Juliet caps of red net and carried sprays of white chrysanthemums and sprigs of holly, and red taffeta muffs.

Mrs. Gerald Carter, matron of honor, chose an all taffeta gown similarly styled to the bridesmaids. Her flowers and accessories were also the same.

Sub. Lieut. William D. Walker

was best man and ushers were David Hurn, brother of the groom, Edward Flanagan, George Cumming and Russell Latham. The Christmas theme added to the decorations for the reception at the Oak Bay Beach Hotel. The wedding cake was topped with red roses and red candles and holly decorated the lace-covered

table. D. G. MacDonald proposed the toast.

Upon leaving for her honeymoon at Timberline Lodge, Mt. Hood, Ore., the bride donned a three-piece grey worsted tailored suit complemented with a grey hat with red feather, grey suede gloves and red shoes and purse. Her corsage was red roses.

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MIXED TENPIN LEAGUE  
Happy Gang — A. Marks 385, E. Shaw  
483, J. Shaw 385, J. Shaw 437, C. Marks  
483, handicap 87. Game totals: 731, 685,  
781-2-2-2-2.  
Island Radiators — S. Motion 487, V.  
Motion 475, J. Mann 435, J. Howard 425,  
H. Howard 401, handicap 40. Game totals:  
682, 618, 762-2-4-0.  
Unknowns — H. Paulding 489, M. Beany  
455, V. McLeary 350, M. Worth 411, J.  
McLeary 463, handicap 4. Game totals:  
715, 685, 111-2-2-2-1.  
Island Radiators won three.  
Imperial — W. Giesse 525, P. Hendry  
480, D. Williams 413, M. Pollard 384, W.  
McLeary 463, handicap 4. Game totals:  
682, 618, 762-2-4-0.

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undersigned up till noon, Jan. 2nd, 1952,  
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Each tender must be accompanied by a  
certified cheque equal to 10% of amount  
of tender, made payable to The Corporation  
of the District of Oak Bay, in a  
sealed envelope marked "Tender for Water  
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The lowest tender will not necessarily  
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THOR WATT,  
Purchasing Agent,  
Oak Bay Municipal Hall

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May your Christmas be peaceful  
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May you throughout the New  
Year be prosperous and con-  
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# GERMAN KIDDIES HAPPY

# Highland Battalion Of Brigade Entertains

HANNOVER, Germany, Dec. 24 (CP).—More than 100 Ger-  
man youngsters—orphans and  
children of needy families—were  
guests Saturday at a Christmas  
party given by non-commis-  
sioned officers of the 1st High-  
land Battalion of the 27th Cana-  
dian Infantry Brigade.

The party for the German  
children came in the midst of  
the brigade's preparations for a  
home-style Christmas. The brigade  
is part of the western world's  
contribution to defense of  
Europe against possible So-  
viet aggression.

Brigade pipers welcomed the  
happy-faced children, aged be-  
tween three and nine. The  
youngsters were served a lunch  
of turkey, cocoa, cake, candy,  
fruits and ice cream.

About 50 sergeants and war-  
rant officers adopted the chil-  
dren for the afternoon. It was  
the first of a series of kids' par-  
ties to be given in the next few  
days by Canadian troops here.

Santa Claus was welcomed by  
the children singing Christmas  
carols assisted by several ser-  
geants.

# PLANNED EARLY

Santa presented each child  
with an article of clothing and  
a toy.

The Highland Battalion, com-  
manded by 35-year-old Lt. Col. R.

# INJURED SAILOR NOW CONSCIOUS

Considerable improvement  
in the condition of Garth  
Smithson was reported today  
by doctors at Naden Hospital.  
The young sailor, seriously  
injured in an accident last  
Tuesday, gained conscious-  
ness over the week-end and for  
the first time since the crash.  
An examination this morning  
led attendants to take his  
name off the seriously-ill list.  
Smithson was a passenger  
in a car that careened off Es-  
quimalt Road and hit a tree.

# Free Food Stall Shut Until July

The free food stall at Victoria's  
Public Market provided Christ-  
mas fare for many needy fam-  
ilies Saturday and then closed  
down until next summer.

The stall gave away oranges,  
canned milk, bread, fresh vege-  
tables, meat, apples, cheese, mar-  
garitas, tinned goods and Chris-  
mas puddings to its Saturday  
customers.

The stall was opened in the  
fall by Mrs. Barbara Green. She  
said a scarcity of surplus goods  
made it impossible to keep the  
stall open for the rest of the  
winter and spring. It will reopen  
in July.

# Gnr. Stirling Admits Firing Several Shots

SEOUL, Dec. 24 (CP).—Gnr.  
Robert Walter Stirling of Van-  
couver told an army court-mar-  
tial today it "could be possible"  
that charges against him are  
true.

A member of the Royal Cana-  
dian Horse Artillery, Stirling  
testified in his own defense on  
charges of attempted murder, as-  
sault causing bodily harm and  
molestation of civilians.

Stirling said he had been drink-  
ing heavily Sept. 30, the date of  
the alleged offenses, and had  
only a vague recollection of what  
happened to him.

"I know I fired shots and the  
sound kind of sobered me up,"  
he said, recounting two visits to  
a Korean house. He is accused  
of wounding a Korean civilian in  
the night visit.

Capt. E. W. Berthiaume of Yar-  
mouth, N.S., an officer in Stirling's  
battery, said in character evi-  
dence Stirling "was an average  
soldier."

"He was not a trouble maker but  
on the other hand he was not  
known in the battery as a model  
soldier."

# U.B.C. Degrees Honoring Two Prominent Men

University of B.C. will pay high  
honor next spring to two Van-  
couver Islanders.

The school will confer honorary  
degrees upon Chris Spencer, a  
well-known mercantile figure,  
and Roderick Haig-Brown, out-  
doorsman and writer.

Spencer is a native of Victoria,  
born here in 1888, son of pioneers.  
Haig-Brown, now in South  
America on a fish exploration  
trip, has his home at Campbell  
River.

Spencer resides in Vancouver.  
He is a past vice-president of that  
city's Board of Trade and has  
Canadian Club. His philanthropies  
cover a wide range.

Haig-Brown is known for his  
books and stories about wildlife.  
He has produced a long list of  
books, nature essays and articles.

# Special Bus Runs To Show Victoria Yuletide Lighting

Special bus runs will be made  
Boxing Day to show the public  
to see homes entered in the  
Junior Chamber of Commerce  
Christmas home-lighting contest.

Buses will leave the corner of  
Pandora and Douglas at 7.30  
Wednesday night for the 90-  
minute run throughout the  
Greater Victoria area. A charge  
of 25 cents will be made for the  
tour.

# Ladysmith Legion's W.A. Picks Officers

LADYSMITH, Dec. 24 — Mrs.  
Annie Reid, was returned as  
president for 1952 at annual  
election of officers of Branch  
171 Canadian Legion Ladies'  
Auxiliary. Vice-presidents are  
Mrs. Mary Peirless and Mrs.  
Mary Neville; secretary, Mrs.  
Elizabeth Armond; treasurer,  
Mrs. Betty McDonald; sergeant-  
at-arms, Mrs. Georgina Lus-  
combe; ways and means, Mrs.  
Eva Grouhel; social, Mrs. Ethel  
Palmerly; sick visiting, Mrs.  
Frances Carey; standard bearer,  
Mrs. Edith Robertson.

Visiting committee this month  
will be Mrs. Ethel Palmerly and  
her daughter, Miss Doreen  
Palmerly.

It was decided to hold a whist  
and bridge party, Jan. 17 and  
make a donation to the city wel-  
fare fund.

Members enjoyed a Christmas  
party after the business meeting.  
Mrs. Belle Carmichael headed  
the social committee.

# HELP WANTED MALE and FEMALE

Pursuant to Section 50 of the "Civil Service Act"

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
Announces

The Holding of ELIGIBILITY EXAMINATIONS for:

CLERK-TYPISTS \$114.40-\$150.15 per month  
JUNIOR CLERKS, MALE \$121.55-\$157.30 per month  
STENOGRAPHERS, GRADE 1A \$121.55-\$157.30 per month  
STENOGRAPHERS, GRADE 2 \$127.50-\$163.25 per month  
JUNIOR DEBENTUREMEN, GRADE A \$127.50-\$163.25 per month

In VICTORIA on Tuesday, January 8, 1952, at the Sprout-Shaw School, 1012  
Douglas Street, at 7.00 p.m. Future appointments in the Victoria area will  
be made from those qualifying on these examinations. Candidates must be  
British subjects, not over 45 years for men, 40 for women. (Age limits waived  
in the case of ex-service personnel who are given preference.)

Candidates should complete Application Forms and register for examinations  
at the office of the B.C. Civil Service Commission, Weiler Building, VICTORIA.  
NOT LATER THAN JANUARY 1, 1952.

# Full-Time Job Guarding Men In Log Camps

John T. Atkinson—a "name  
that means 'be careful' to thou-  
sands of B.C. loggers and lum-  
bermen—has been named to fill  
the newly-created position of  
safety director of the Interna-  
tional Woodworkers of America  
in B.C.

Atkinson, who lives at You-  
bour, has served as chairman of  
the I.W.A.'s provincial safety  
committee for many years. He  
has devoted much time and  
thought to the matter of acci-  
dent prevention, and has been  
rewarded by a steady decline in  
accident reports.

His work in B.C. won for him  
the post of chairman of the In-  
ternational Safety Council at a  
convention held earlier this year  
in Portland.

As safety director, Atkinson  
will devote his full time to the  
cause. He will maintain an of-  
fice in Vancouver.

# Frost Kills Off Cauliflower Crop; Tomatoes Scarce

Jack Frost has finished off  
the local cauliflower crop.  
Wholesalers report that last  
week's cold snap practically  
ruined the Victoria growers' sup-  
plies.

Local hothouse tomatoes also  
are going on the short supply  
list. There are only a few left  
and stores will soon be selling  
Mexican and Texan tomatoes.

There are still bushels of local  
cabbages left.  
A new carload of bananas ar-  
rived in Victoria today and Ar-  
izona grapefruit are expected  
later this week.

# Colonel Presents Engraved Prizes To 75th Regiment

Engraved silver ashtrays were  
presented to several members of  
the 75th (B.C.) Heavy Anti-Air-  
craft Regiment by Lt. Col. W. J.  
Farnsworth, E.D., commanding  
officer, at the annual smoker at  
Bay Street Armories.

Awarded to the best-turned-out  
man in each battery, ashtrays  
were won by Bdr. P. C. Campbell,  
L./Bdr. P. R. O. Dalton and Gnr.  
B. Gore-Langton, J. Cunningham  
and J. R. Theros. Bdrs. Fawcett  
and McIntosh were presented  
with ashtrays for their voluntary  
work in connection with the  
N.C.O.s' course.

# No One Injured In Plane Crash

DENVER, Dec. 24 (AP).—A  
two-engine B-25 bomber with  
eight persons aboard, including  
one woman, crashed in an east  
Denver residential section to-  
night. No homes were hit and  
no one was killed.

Two aboard the plane were in-  
jured. Lowery air base officials  
said the injuries were not be-  
lieved serious.

One motor appeared to burn as  
the plane came down on its  
belly about 400 yards from the  
nearest dwelling.

The scene was less than a mile  
from where a four-engine B-29  
crashed Dec. 3, killing eight crew  
members and destroying or dam-  
aging five homes.

The woman on the plane was a  
W.A.F.

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# CHRISTMAS COMES ONCE MORE

Where charity stands watching  
And faith holds wide the door,  
The dark night wakes, the glory  
breaks.  
And Christmas comes once more.  
—Phillips Brooks.

Yes—Christmas once more,  
and all are for giving, & full of the joy  
of giving. For many weeks  
past, you've been in a spin, and  
we, of course... have added OUR  
din. Maybe it's true, as some  
have the notion, 't's been swayed  
to a racket, a  
commercial promotion. That the  
children get muddled, mist the  
tinsel & gauze, when they find  
that there's MORE... than  
ONE Santa Claus. And we all  
wreck the budget, go into debt,  
getting gifts for the family, and  
Aunt Harriet.

And still there's the turkey &  
other things prized, we seem  
caught in the web, & are mesmer-  
ized. Yet... maybe we aren't.  
It ISN'T so, we're all just filled  
with that inner glow. Catching  
the spirit of the Book of Books,  
and so immortalized, by Phil-  
lips Brooks, "Faith holding wide  
the open door," & so we have  
gone from store to store. Doing  
our best in the crush & squeeze,  
to find that gift, one SURE to  
please. The gift of itself, a very  
poor thing, but your WANTING  
to give... IS EVERYTHING. It  
doesn't matter WHAT you  
pay, you've got at that moment,  
SELF out of the way. You've let  
go a bit, the glory has shone,  
little smidge more of the tension  
little smidge more of the tension

has gone. And then like elastic  
that's twisted tight, when you  
really let go, from dark  
springs the light. You've  
smoothed from your heart some  
of the scars, you glimpse that  
space out there 'tween the stars.  
So you go on your way, NOT  
a fugitive, but FREE as one, who  
just wants to give. And there  
lies the Power, the Glory, too,  
"that ye love one another: as I  
loved you" (John 13:34). Yes—  
Love stands watching, wrote the  
troubador, AND CHRISTMAS  
COMES... TO US ONCE MORE.

**HUIIBER'S**  
Greetings... From Our House  
to Your House

And may we thank you all for  
the wonderful way you have  
helped us this past year... we  
never cease to be grateful. May  
all good come to you and yours.  
Sincerely & straight from our  
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EVERYWHERE ACROSS THE LAND

# A MERRY CHRISTMAS

So much that is warm-hearted and sincere is summed up in this time-honoured Christmas greeting!

It includes our thanks to our customers, whose confidence in us has once again been vividly demonstrated throughout the year . . . our gratitude to our staff, whose willingness and loyalty are always so evident at this busy season . . . our heartfelt wish that all our friends from coast to coast in Canada may enjoy the merriest Christmas ever.

*John D. Eaton*  
PRESIDENT

THE T. EATON CO.  
BRITISH COLUMBIA LIMITED



# A Merry Christmas To All

Weather:  
Clear and Cold  
Details On Page 5

## Victoria Daily Times

**FINAL**

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VICTORIA, B.C., MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1951—22 PAGES

PRICE DAILY, 7 CENTS  
SATURDAY, 10 CENTS

# 1 OF 120 MINERS SURVIVES TRAGEDY

## Wife, Son Rush Home To Re-Erect Yule Tree

By ROBERT CUNNINGHAM

WEST FRANKFORD, Ill., Dec. 24 (UP).—A lone coal miner, entombed for 58 hours after a gas explosion turned the world's biggest shaft mine into a vast death trap, was brought out alive today as the final death count rose to 119.

Cecil Sanders, 44, was found deep in the debris-filled recesses of the New Orient mine as the search for bodies which began after the explosion Friday night drew to a close.

Doctors said Sanders was in good condition, and termed his survival "a miracle."

One of Sanders' buddies, Bill Williams, was among the last of the dead brought out. Rescuers found in his pants pocket a note to his wife, Laura. It said:

"I love you always. If I go tonight tell Charles and D (Charles' son) I love him, too."

Mrs. Sanders said that the scrawled note, nearly illegible in spots, referred to Charles Sanders, their son. She believed that the "D" referred to Mrs. Donna Sanders, Charles' wife.

**BODIES STILL WARM**  
Sanders and eight other men had barricaded themselves from deadly gas seeping through the underground corridors. The bodies of the others were found this morning, still warm.

Rescuers said the men had survived the blast's sudden horror and had lived for hours in the dank blackness, only to die before help could reach them.

Mine superintendent John Foster placed the final death count at 119, surpassing the 111 killed in Southern Illinois' last big mine disaster at Centralia in 1947.

Foster said only one body remained to be recovered, that of John Cantrell. He said it had been located under a rockfall.

Most of the rescue teams were disbanded. A white hearse was backed up to the mine entrance with its doors opened, waiting for the last body.

Foster said the mine then would be closed, and that Wednesday, the day after Christmas, the state department of mine and minerals will begin an investigation.

The Federal Bureau of Mines and company officials will participate in the investigation, he said.

**REQUESTED SMOKE**  
Grimy rescuers who found Sanders alive said his survival was "just a little Christmas present after all this tragedy."

Brought to the surface, Sanders said, "I'd hug anyone who would give me a cigarette."

A United Press reporter handed him one.

**'MIGHT HAVE LEFT DROP'**  
Note In Bottle Brings New York Man Yule Tree

ROCKVILLE CENTRE, N.Y., Dec. 24 (UP).—Arthur H. Iles had the tallest and cheapest Christmas tree in town today because he tossed a whisky bottle into the Atlantic Ocean less than four months ago.

Iles was aboard an inbound passenger-cargo ship off the coast of Nova Scotia, land of Christmas trees, last Sept. 12. To kill time he wrote a humorous note requesting a tree and curled the message into an empty bottle of spirit.

He received a tremendous crate containing a nine-foot tree on Dec. 15. He was amazed that the express bill was only \$1.

A note signed by a fisherman named Jim Saunders said he was "not much at penning, but it is with pleasure I take me pen in hand to write you about your hotel."

"I was out coddling Wednesday week and pulled in your hotel fouled in me net," the note said. "I'll get Joe Canouthers to see if he can find you a pretty tree for you and the young ones."

Saunders apologized for the delay by explaining he "was not fur off Pleasure Beach on Newfoundland shore so I have been some days getting to home."

There was a wry postscript to the note.

"You might have left a feller a taste in the hotel again the chill."

## Yule Shoppers Break Record

Victorians are today concluding one of the biggest Christmas "shopping sprees" in years.

Store owners reported Christmas sales in nearly all lines of merchandise are higher than ever before. The only exceptions were sales of heavy appliances and expensive furnishings.

"We never saw the like of it," was the comment of one business man. "I don't think anyone can complain of a poor business this year."

Sales were spotty at first, but picked up about two weeks ago and reached a climax on Saturday and today, merchants said.

While the majority of Victorians did not buy highly expensive more than usual, in the general opinion. The gifts for the most part ranged in price between \$3 and \$25.

In foodstuffs, Victorians made certain first of eating nothing but the best, store sales indicate. Turkeys sold well and so did all kinds of choice meats and delicacies. There was also a heavy run on pastries and Christmas cakes.

Sales of chocolates and candies were heavier than in all other years, it was reported. But the profits from this local industry is not expected to be high due to the high cost of ingredients and competition from eastern manufacturers.

Florists were pleased with this year's sale of flowers. "We have never sold as many flowers and potted plants for Christmas," they said.

Jewelers reported Christmas sales were good, especially in gold ornaments and watches. Chinaware also sold well, about the same as in other years.

The heavy sale of cigarettes and tobacco indicate that these are popular gifts of the male population. Tobaccoists said they had the heaviest run on cigarettes.

**2-DAY HOLIDAY FOR TIMES STAFF**  
Both Christmas Day and Boxing Day, Tuesday and Wednesday, will be observed as holidays by the staff of the Victoria Times. No paper will be published on either day. The next regular edition will be on Thursday afternoon.

**'REDEDICATION' ASKED IN PREMIER'S MESSAGE**  
Premier Byron Johnson today issued a Christmas message to the people of British Columbia.

"At this festive season of the year, it is my pleasure to extend to the people of British Columbia every good wish for a joyous Christmas and peace and contentment throughout the New Year," said the Premier.

It is his earnest hope, he said, that the spirit of Christmas as portrayed in the joyous carols and the traditional Christmas story, will instill even greater emotions of faith in the people's hearts.

"As Christmas is a time for family reunion, I wish especially to remember those who are separated from their loved ones."

"It is my sincere hope that the New Year will bring peace to a world now beset with unrest and with the approaching Christmas festivities, let us pause for a moment from our rejoicing to rededicate ourselves to the sacred cause of Peace on Earth, Goodwill toward Men," said Premier Johnson.

**OL' VIC SAYS:**  
Let's let Santa "carry th' load" tonight, eh, drivers?  
Ol' Vic sez what all are sayin'  
What th' world 'd'ay is prayin'  
All I c'n see in m' crystal ball  
Is "Merry Christmas t' y'all."

## Snow Flurry Warning To Yule Driver

Weatherman expects clearing skies

Snow flurries today gave promise of a "white Christmas" for Victoria.

A light dusting of snow fell early this morning, and there was more shortly before noon.

The weatherman, however, anticipated a break in the weather late today.

"We expect a clearing in the evening, and a comparatively clear Christmas Day and Boxing Day," he said. "There will be a little cloud on both days, light winds, and temperatures up to 40 degrees."

**RESULTS**  
**TROPICAL PARK**  
1-Ballyheather, Moola, Cockatow, Hawk.  
2-Goldie's Choice, Boulevardier, Lykes.  
3-Warren's Gray, Moon, Miami, Tramp.  
4-Bird Park, Straight, Finchaven.  
5-Hermes, Sagging, Salaria.  
6-Apsley, Scotia, Idle Memory.  
7-Woodchuck, Deflation, Signal Code.  
8-Aulash, Mulatto, Kay Gibson.  
9-Royal's Belle, Paterson, Japhap.  
Best Bet—Woodchuck.

**FAIR GROUNDS**  
1-Break Thru, Lucky Dog, Security.  
2-O'Brien's Pal, River, Mr. Brian.  
3-A. Bomb, Senator Guy, Port Beaumont.  
4-By Gone Days, Ky River, Silver Senator.  
5-Nobility, Seasoned, Air Service.  
6-Theresa Berger, Pictor, Whirling Bat.  
7-Three High, Victoria Cross, Prince Orleans.  
8-Mil Bunty, How Vain, Resort.  
Best Bet—Break Thru.

**SELECTIONS**  
**FAIR GROUNDS**  
First Race—  
1-Brake Thru 112  
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The Youngest Alexander

The three-year secret that Canada's vice-regal family has an adopted daughter leaked out last Friday when three-and-a-half-year-old, fair-haired Susan Alexander appeared at a kindergarten Christmas party in Ottawa. Here Viscount and Lady Alexander are pictured with Susan who, they adopted in England when she was six months' old. (CP Photo).

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## FINAL BULLETINS

### 503 Violent Deaths In U.S.

NEW YORK (UP).—Christmas, 1951, brought the United States almost as much sadness as it did happiness today. The holiday traffic toll blackened the picture. So did final reports of 119 dead in an Illinois mine disaster.

Since the U.S. began celebrating late Friday, 328 persons had died in traffic accidents. Fires claimed 68 more lives and miscellaneous types of accidents 107 to give the country's total of 503 accidental deaths.

### Call Steel Meeting For Thursday

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (UP).—C.I.O. President Philip Murray today summoned his United Steelworkers' wage committee to a meeting in Pittsburgh on Thursday, raising government hopes of averting a disastrous New Year's day steel strike.

### Accordist Contino Freed

MCNEIL ISLAND FEDERAL PRISON, Wash., Dec. 24 (AP).—Accordist Dick Contino's release from prison was announced today by Warden Fred T. Wilkinson.

The one-time \$4,000-a-week musician left the island Sunday, two days before Christmas, after serving four and a half months for draft evasion. The warden said the 21-year-old got time off from his six-month sentence for good behavior.

## OVERNIGHT ENTRIES

### TROPICAL PARK

FIRST RACE—Six furlongs:  
Moola 108  
Luna 108  
Dada 112  
Ballyheather 108  
Mini & Mura 117  
Brief White 102  
Sung 110  
Sedulous 110  
Flax 108

SECOND RACE—Six furlongs:  
Dance Band 112  
Luna 108  
Eye Catcher 107  
Alom Ride 107  
Goldie's Choice 108  
Slumberland 102  
Sun Captain 110  
Aure 110  
Boulevardier 108

THIRD RACE—Six furlongs:  
Moon Miami 101  
Trompeta 104  
Sunshine Rose 107  
Madam Cross 101  
Keno 117  
Mile, 20 112  
Warren's Gray 115  
Laughing Fox 108  
Game Dams 112

FOURTH RACE—Six furlongs:  
Fighting Home 109  
Nighi 106  
Dressy Lady 108  
Toney Racer 112  
Blue Nona 108  
Clayford 108  
Sundew 108  
Straight 108  
Finchaven 118

FIFTH RACE—Six furlongs:  
Tangle 114  
Sham 110  
Zagging 114  
Juliette 118  
Direct Motor 117  
Toy Fox 118

SIXTH RACE—Six furlongs:  
Idle Memory 122  
Progs 117  
A-1, Trust 117  
Brandy Punch 120  
Apley 118  
Fresh Breeze 114

SEVENTH RACE—Six furlongs:  
Sunny Dale 117  
Signal Code 118  
Dusty Demon 102  
Jungle Wind 117  
Woodchuck 120  
A-One Twelve 106

EIGHTH RACE—Six furlongs:  
Autan 102  
Juliette 108  
Gillie Young 122  
Pam Gold 101  
Thermides 114  
Franklin 106  
Kay Gibson 106

NINTH RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Royal Belle 112  
Actual 108  
Peterloo 114  
Hexton 110  
Miss Carolina 112  
Beach Chief 117  
Oklahoma Time 108  
Reynolds Jr. 114  
Runyon Fund 110

TENTH RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
Daring Male 114  
Arena 108  
Jump for Joy 115  
Contrast 109  
Reynolds Jr. 114  
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ELEVENTH RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
Daring Male 114  
Arena 108  
Jump for Joy 115  
Contrast 109  
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Twelfth RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
Daring Male 114  
Arena 108  
Jump for Joy 115  
Contrast 109  
Reynolds Jr. 114  
Runyon Fund 110

Thirteenth RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
Daring Male 114  
Arena 108  
Jump for Joy 115  
Contrast 109  
Reynolds Jr. 114  
Runyon Fund 110

Fourteenth RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
Daring Male 114  
Arena 108  
Jump for Joy 115  
Contrast 109  
Reynolds Jr. 114  
Runyon Fund 110

Fifteenth RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
Daring Male 114  
Arena 108  
Jump for Joy 115  
Contrast 109  
Reynolds Jr. 114  
Runyon Fund 110

Sixteenth RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
Daring Male 114  
Arena 108  
Jump for Joy 115  
Contrast 109  
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Runyon Fund 110

Seventeenth RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
Daring Male 114  
Arena 108  
Jump for Joy 115  
Contrast 109  
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Runyon Fund 110

Eighteenth RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
Daring Male 114  
Arena 108  
Jump for Joy 115  
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Nineteenth RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
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Twentieth RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
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Twenty-first RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
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Twenty-second RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
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Twenty-third RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
Daring Male 114  
Arena 108  
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Twenty-fourth RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
Daring Male 114  
Arena 108  
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Twenty-fifth RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
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Arena 108  
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Twenty-sixth RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
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Twenty-seventh RACE—About one and one-quarter miles:  
Mr. Del 111  
Chief John O. 108  
Jungle Jangle 118  
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Arena 108  
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Contrast 10